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## Kani is named to succeed Bahonar

TEHRAN, Sept. 1 (AFP) — The Iranian leadership, struggling to patch up the gash torn at the top by Sunday's bombing, Tuesday nominated Interior Minister Muhammad Reza Mahdavi Kani, 50, to replace assassinated Prime Minister Muhammad Javad Bahonar.

Legislators are to vote Wednesday on the nomination, sent to parliament for approval by the provisional Presidential Council running the country since the death of Bahonar and President Muhammad Ali Rajai in the blast at the prime minister's office. The council is currently made up of Parliament speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani and Supreme Court President Mousavi Ardebili.

If approved, Hojatoleslam Kani would become the council's third member under a constitutional ruling that, in the absence of a president, the country's executive affairs should be handled by the prime minister, parliament speaker and supreme court chief pending elections.

Hojatoleslam Kani, who was imprisoned several times under the reign of the ex-Shah, formerly led Ayatollah Khomeini's vigilance "revolutionary committees" and was named by the Ayatollah in April to arbitrate between the squabbling leadership, split at the time between followers of subsequently ousted President Abolbassan Bani-Sadr and the dominant fundamentalists.

Another top figure, Tehran Friday prayer leader Hojatoleslam Ali Khamenei, 41, was elected Monday to head the ruling Islamic Republican Party, replacing former IRP chief Bahonar, the newspaper *Islamic Republic* said Tuesday. Meanwhile, the wave of attacks which began following Bani-Sadr's ouster in June was continuing unabated throughout the country. Two revolutionary guards were killed and seven were wounded here when seven assailants in two cars fired more than 50 shots at the mini-bus they were traveling in.

Informal sources here said that the bomb that killed Rajai and Bahonar had been slated to explode during a meeting of the country's senior security officials, led by the president and prime minister.

## Arabs, Jews fight in Jerusalem tunnel

TEL AVIV, Sept. 1 (R) — A Palestinian was shot and wounded Tuesday in a clash between Palestinians and Jews in a tunnel under the Temple Mount in old Jerusalem, Israeli radio said.

It said 20 Palestinians tried to wall up an entrance to the tunnel, which runs from the Temple Mount, site of the Al-Aqsa and dome of the Rock Mosque, to a square in front of the western walling wall. The Jews tried to prevent them and one Jew fired a shot, wounding one person, it said.

Israeli Education Minister Zevulun Hammer Tuesday ordered the suspension of the excavations in the city of David after claims that the excavations were on the site of a Jewish cemetery. Hammer said digging must be halted for two weeks while the attorney-general studies the claims.

## Ministers discuss peace bid

TAIF, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — Six Gulf foreign ministers Tuesday held a second day of talks to discuss Saudi Arabia's eight-point peace proposal and cooperation among the Council's members. The official Gulf News Agency said the ministers from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Qatar and Oman, were expected to consider adopting the plan for joint diplomatic action at international level.

The six countries are grouped in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) set up in May. The ministers also discussed a mutual security plan for their region. The scheme, backed with new vigor by Oman, was high on the agenda for the second day of the foreign ministers meeting. There has been wide support for the peace plan proposed by Crown Prince Fahd. It is based on United Nations resolutions on the Middle East and was put forward by Prince Fahd last month.

According to the UAE minister of state, Rashid Abdullah al-Noaimi, the conference's other main subjects were an Omani working paper on Gulf security and an anti-Western pact signed this month by Libya, South Yemen and Ethiopia.

The six Gulf states are discussing how to approach the security issue, which has gained importance following the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, the outbreak of the Iraq-Iran war and the Iranian revolution. Oman has argued for priority to be given to military cooperation.

The ministers are expected to report on the security issue to the council's next summit in Saudi Arabia in November.

A UAE newspaper, *Al-Itihad*, Tuesday quoted the GCC secretary general, Abdullah Bishara, as saying that the council did not intend to assume the policeman's role played by the deposed Shah of Iran in the Gulf.

## Kussian arms aid timely, Aden says

ADEN, Sept. 1 (AP) — Chairman Ali Nasser Muhammad has praised the Soviet Union for what he described as its "honest military and economic aid" for South Yemen and reiterated his country's support for Libya against the United States.

In a speech marking Army Day celebrations Monday, the South Yemen leader said: "We do not exaggerate when we state that by virtue of the weapon of internationalist solidarity with the Soviet Union and other Socialist countries, our confrontation and steadfastness in the face of aggressive conspiracies and wars has been consolidated."

South Yemen has a friendship and cooperation treaty with Moscow and the Soviet Air Force Commander in Chief, Marshal Kotokhof, attended the ceremonies. Delegations from North Yemen, Algeria, Libya, Syria, Kuwait, East Germany, Cuba, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Vietnam and Ethiopia were also present at the ceremonies which marked the 10th anniversary of the armed forces established by the 12-year-old regime.

## Nancy dons bulletproof

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (AP) — Nancy Reagan has worn a "bulletproof slip" — actually a bulletproof vest — in some public appearances since the attempt on her husband's life March 30, *Newsweek* reports.

The magazine said in this week's edition that close friends of the first lady were telling other friends about the addition to Mrs. Reagan's wardrobe.

## Anti-Americanism increases

BONN, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Anti-Americanism is raising its violent head here just two weeks before the visit to Bonn and West Berlin by U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig.

In the past 24 hours there have been three anti-American attacks in West Germany which have shaken the public, already badly divided over two military issues — basing U.S.-built Euromissiles in this country and arming the West with the neutron bomb. The first bomb exploded Monday morning at Ramstein Airforce Base, the largest U.S. military base in Europe, wounding 15 soldiers including a general and a lieutenant-colonel. Just before dawn Tuesday four army vehicles were deliberately set ablaze in Wiesbaden. There were no victims. In Frankfurt, 50 kms (30 miles) away, an arson attack on the local offices of the Social



DELEGATES: King Khaled Tuesday received separately a number of Arab and Foreign delegates in Taif. He first met Kuwait's Oil Minister Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmed al Sabah who delivered to the King a message from Kuwait's Ruler Sheikh Ali Al Khalifa al Sabah concerning oil relations. Foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council (top) also called on King Khaled followed by Nigeria's former defense minister, Yarduwa Moussa and former chief justice Abu Bakr Mahmud Ghami below. Moussa conveyed a message to the King from President Sheku Shagari.

## France supports move Dacko toppled in coup

BANGUI, Central African Republic, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — President David Dacko of the Central African Republic was ousted Tuesday by the army almost two years after he himself overthrew his uncle, former Emperor Jean-Bedel Bokassa, in a French-backed coup.

Radio Bangui said the president had resigned at the request of Gen. Andre Kolingba, armed forces chief of staff. It said political parties and the constitution had been suspended in the impoverished, landlocked country of two million people. According to a French Foreign Ministry spokesman, Dacko's doctor said in a telephone call to Paris that the president had resigned for health reasons. Eyewitnesses said soldiers had been patrolling the streets of the capital since early morning. But there have been no reports of fighting and the coup seems to have been bloodless.

Airport officials in the Ivory Coast capital, Abidjan said Bangui airport was still open. French Defense Minister Charles Hernu said in Cherbourg that the coup in the former French colony was an internal matter. The 1,400 French troops based there had been confined to barracks and would intervene only if French nationals were in danger.

Dacko had been the republic's first president when it won independence from France in 1960. He was overthrown in 1965 by the then Col. Bokassa who went on to proclaim the country an empire. His grandiose and brutal rule was doomed when reports leaked out of a massacre of school children by imperial guards in 1979. He was overthrown in September that year by a French-backed coup which reinstated Dacko. Bokassa now lives in exile in the Ivory Coast.

The political atmosphere in the country has been tense since elections last March which confirmed Dacko in the presidency but which his opponents claimed had been rigged. Several persons were killed in rioting after the polls, some of it anti-French. The president proclaimed a state of siege after the riots, appointing Gen. Kolingba to administer it. In May, he announced that parliamentary elections scheduled for June had been postponed till next year. These would have been the country's first parliamentary elections since independence.

The state of siege was reimposed after a bomb killed three persons and wounded 32, mostly French soldiers, in a Bangui cinema July 14. Later that month, travellers reported street fighting between soldiers and civilians and house-to-house searches in the capital.

## Pirates loot boat; 10 die

ZAMBOANGA CITY, Philippines, Sept. 1 (AP) — Pirates hijacked a trading boat with help from some of its crew, then opened fire on more than 50 persons aboard, killing at least 10, after robbing them of cash and jewelry, military authorities said Tuesday.

Coast guard area commander Nicasio Blancas said 17 persons survived, swimming 27 kms to the nearest coast guard station, but 29 were still missing more than 36 hours after the incident, which occurred early Monday in the Sulu Sea in the Southern Philippines.

## PLO leader meets Rajavi

PARIS, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — Massoud Rajavi, self-exiled Iranian Mujahedeen leader, Tuesday met a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in a move to hold talks with PLO chairman Yasser Arafat, Rajavi's spokesman said. Observers called the meeting a possible step toward a mediation attempt between the Iranian government and its domestic opponents.

## Synagogue incident U.S., in rare move, backs PLO claim

By Tod Robbins  
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 — In a rare move by the United States, the State Department Monday made a gesture of conciliation toward the Palestine Liberation Organization by supporting the PLO claim that it had nothing to do with Saturday's terrorist attack on a synagogue in Vienna.

State Department spokesman Dean Fischer told reporters that the United States has no official confirmation that any Arab or Palestinian group was involved in the attack, and he reiterated that both the Austrian government and the PLO condemned the attack and denied PLO responsibility for it.

Fischer, reading from a prepared statement, went so far as to cite the Voice of Palestine radio as denying PLO responsibility.

## Zambia urges Israeli pullout

TAIF, Sept. 1 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and Zambia issued a joint communique calling for the Israeli withdrawal from all Arab lands occupied since 1967. The communique, released at the end of Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda's visit to the Kingdom, reiterated the two countries' support for the rights of the Palestinians, including the right to self-determination, a return to their homeland and the establishment of an independent state under the leadership of the PLO.

The two sides also expressed the desire to develop friendship bonds between their countries and foster economic and cultural cooperation. They agreed to exchanging visits between officials to reinforce the areas of cooperation.

King Khaled expressed his satisfaction over President Kenneth Kaunda's stands in support of Arab causes and Afro-Arab cooperation in all fields. He praised the Zambian president's efforts in seeking a solution for regional, African and international problems, especially the liberation and independence issues in South Africa.

President Kaunda expressed admiration for King Khaled over the eight-point plan for a Middle East peace settlement announced by Prince Fahd upon the King's directives. While condemning Israel's aggressions against the Arab countries, the two countries strongly denounced the air raid of the Iraqi nuclear reactor by Israel. Israel's attacks on south Lebanon represent a daring challenge to the United Nations charter, world opinion and human rights, the communique said. It has become necessary for the world community to confront these acts with deterrent measures, it added.

The two countries shared views regarding the similarity of the Zionist structure in Palestine and the racial colonialist regime in South Africa. They denounced cooperation between Israel and South Africa to suppress the Palestinian and South African peoples.

Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda left here Tuesday for home concluding a three-day state visit to the Kingdom. He was seen off by King Khaled, Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; Prince Sultan, defense and aviation minister and other high-ranking officials.

President Kaunda held a press conference before his departure and voiced full support for the Kingdom's proposals for a peaceful settlement of the Middle East problem. He said his talks with King Khaled were wide-ranging and dealt with international issues of mutual interest, especially the Middle East problem.

Speaking about his country's policy toward the Middle East, he said Zambia had condemned Israel first when it waged the war against Arabs and occupied their land in 1967 and for the second time in 1973 that it opposes such an aggressive attitude.

He said that there could be no real solution to the Middle East problem and the Palestinian question in particular, except by enabling the PLO, as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, to participate in any peace initiative in the region.

The PLO offices in Paris were closed when the Mujahedeen leader's statement was issued to the press and no PLO comment was available. Rajavi's spokesman did not say where the meeting had taken place, but the Mujahedeen leader rarely leaves his heavily guarded home in village of Aaurvers-sur-Oise north of Paris.

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Pilgrims' needs secured

Water contracts okayed

TAIF, Sept. 1 (SPA) — Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh Tuesday approved two contracts totaling SR6 million for an artesian wells in Hail and a drinking water project in Jizan area. The contracts were awarded to national companies.

The first contract provides for drilling several artesian wells in Hail area within eight months. The second contract calls for carrying out several drinking water projects in villages around Jizan, including all necessary pipe connections. These projects, which come under the ministry's motto for providing water for the public everywhere in the Kingdom, will be completed in a period of 15 months.

In a separate development, Western Region Water and Sewage Department Director General Fahd Al-Sulaiman announced that pilgrims' needs for water in the holy places and Makkah are secured. He said that water tanks in the those areas have been filled with water and placed under proper guard.

In Mina alone, there are a 90,000, a 40,000

and a 20,000-cubic meter tanks, in addition to smaller ones. A 50,000-cubic meter water tank in Muzdalifa will be augmented with a similar capacity tank in Arafat, in addition to small tanks and main water sources, Sulaiman said.

Ten maintenance and inspection teams have been placed in Mina, five in Arafat and seven in Makkah, he added. Each team incorporates five workers, a plumber, an inspector and a leader. Each group is provided with radio communications device and a car. The workers and inspectors number 170, the plumbers 40 and the leaders 30. Besides, maintenance companies will be operating in the holy places during the pilgrimage, Sulaiman said.

The department will deploy more than 150 water tankers, in addition to the water tanks, to serve pilgrims and meet all their requirements, he said. The water and sewage department will be assisted by employees from other departments and some temporary workers, he concluded.

560 avail of marriage fund

TAIF, Sept. 1 (SPA) — The newly-created Marriage Assistance Fund has so far helped 560 persons in getting married, officials said Tuesday. The total assistance granted them amounted to SR14 million.

Sheikh Abdul Aziz ibn Abdullah ibn Baz, chairman of the Departments of Scholarly Research, Religious Ruling, Call to Islam and Guidance, said Tuesday that Riyadh's Marriage Court is issuing the marriage assistance to persons who meet the conditions for the grant.

The conditions envisage that husband and wife be Saudi Arabian nationals; provide an affidavit from a local judge that the newly-married wife cannot join her husband for his inability to pay the dowry; prove the husband's inability to pay the dowry at a Sharia Court; prove that it is his first marriage or he is widower; and submit an affidavit from the nearest mosque testifying to his attendance of prayer five times a day, according to Islamic religion.

Sheikh Abdul Aziz called on those who had already applied and carry files numbering from one to 36, to come to the court and have their applications considered. Others whose file numbers are after 36 should not call on the court until the announcement of their numbers.

The formation of the fund was announced in May by Sheikh Abdul Aziz. The fund gives SR25,000 grant to nationals who want to get married but cannot raise necessary money for dowry. The fund was established after an anonymous donor gave SR1 million to help nationals get married. Substantial donations also were made by King Khaled and a number of princes and other citizens.

Thunayan also received the Iraqi ambassador here, Shafiq Hamoud Al-Daraji.

Arabs pledge \$40 million to UNICEF

BAHRAIN, Sept. 1 (R) — Seven Arab countries have pledged to give a total of \$40 million to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) through a multi-million dollar foundation. Saudi Arabian Prince Talal ibn Abdul Aziz said Monday.

Prince Talal, a special UNICEF envoy and president of the independent financial Gulf Fund, said the fund had also agreed to ask four other United Nations agencies to supply details of projects which needed funding. The Gulf states would donate not less than another \$60 million to these agencies, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the World Health Organization (WHO), Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) and the United Nations Development Program, (UNDP), he said.

The Gulf Fund groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Qatar, Oman and Bahrain. It was formed earlier this year to channel future contributions to U.N. agencies from these countries.

Prince Talal, a brother of King Khaled, said of the \$40 million pledged to UNICEF for the financial year, \$25 million would be from governments and the balance from the private sector.

Prince Talal said the Arab Fund for Social and Economic Development (AFSED) in Kuwait would help the Gulf Fund evaluate projects submitted for funding by UNICEF.

He said the fund had already given \$40 million which was obtained from the private sector in the Gulf countries for projects in Sudan and Pakistan.

The fund was originally aiming for a capital of \$200 million and he said was hopeful that almost all of this amount would be raised.

Aba Al-Khail attends Tunis parley

TAIF, Sept. 1 (SPA) — Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Aba Al-Khail left here Tuesday for Tunis to lead the Kingdom's delegation to the 31st session of the Arab Economic Council which opened later during the day.

The session, which lasts several days, will assess economic relations between the Arab nation and the rest of the world. It also will discuss the Arab and international economic report for this year, and the Palestine Liberation Organization's request to be granted an observer status at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

Taipei anti-Communist talks MWL apprised on Muslim refugees

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH, Sept. 1 — The director general of the Muslim World League Relief Organization submitted a report regarding resolutions and discussion held by the World Anti-Communist League (WACL) during meetings held in Taipei, Taiwan, recently.

Acting as an observer on behalf of the Muslim World League's Relief Organization, Dr. Fethi Tevetoglu, met with various delegates of anti-Communist leagues, representatives of Islamic delegations observing the meetings and also met with representatives from Nationalist Chinese Muslims in Taipei. The WACL meeting included delegates from the World Anti-Communist League, the Asian People's Anti-Communist League and the Asian Youth Anti-Communist League. Twenty delegations from 12 Islamic countries also attended.

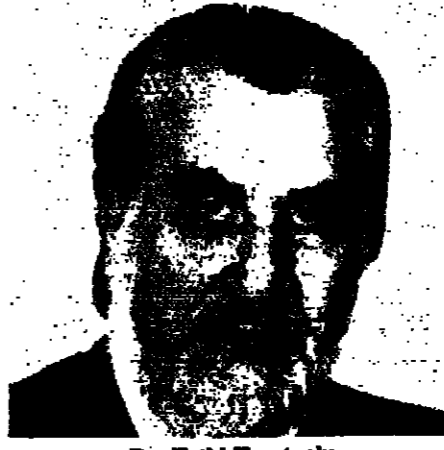
Although the conference brought up the general question of refugee problems caused by Communist imperial regimes, Dr. Tevetoglu concentrated on the problem of Muslim refugees. Of significant interest was problems concerning refugees produced as a result of Communist actions in Afghanistan, Kampuchea and Laos.

The MWL provides services, living quarters, food, health care, education and work for the refugees. Help is also provided for refugees who want to return home or if they want relocation to another country. "Refugees have different backgrounds and

Humaid to visit Taiwan, Korea

RIYADH, Sept. 1 (SPA) — A high-level military delegation led by Sheikh Othman Al-Humaid, assistant to the Minister of Defense and Aviation, leaves on a tour of Taiwan and South Korea Sept. 5, at the invitation of the Deputy Defense Ministers of those countries. Humaid is accompanied by top military officials.

The Arab finance and economic ministers will discuss the proposed unified Arab statement at the IMF and World Bank annual session, which will be presented by one of the Arab delegation heads. Other topics on the agenda include reports on the Joint Arab Projects Committee, the activities of specialized Arab organizations, the meetings of the special committee for coordination between the Arab League and specialized Arab organizations, and a report and recommendations by the sixth session of Arab Central Bank governors.



Dr. Fethi Tevetoglu

different wishes for the future. What is common for all of them is that they are all miserable and in poor condition." Dr. Tevetoglu told Arab News.

Some of the discussions included: Religious rights and freedoms of Communist-occupied countries; The worldwide front

Panel to supervise social schemes

QATIF, Sept. 1 (SPA) — The Social Development Center of Oatif has recently formed local social development committee in Tobi and Hillat Muhaish villages. The committee will supervise the implementation of several social projects in the two villages. The projects include kindergartens; house renovation; health, cultural and other prog-

ram. The Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs has agreed to give financial aid amounting to SR110,000 for each committee to help it carry out its programs. This step is part of the ministry's activities to improve the cultural and social standards of citizens throughout the Kingdom.

The officials report will provide information for the MWL's Relief Organization and help in making decisions on providing relief for Muslim refugees. While attending the WACL conference, Dr. Tevetoglu visited representatives of the 50,000-member Chinese Muslim Association and Chinese Islamic Cultural Center. He toured the center's Islamic school for teaching the Holy Qur'an and Arabic language, where he said he saw people of all ages studying the Holy Book.

Nationalist Chinese Muslims are receiving financial support from the MWL to establish one Islamic cultural center and two new mosques. The mosques will be built in Kaohsiung and Taichung, he added.

FROM THE GULF

MANAMA, Sept. 1 (SPA) — Bahraini Ruler Sheikh Issa bin Salman Al-Khalifa Tuesday received the military attaché at the Saudi Arabian embassy here, Lt. Col. Ahmed Al-Ghamdi. The meeting, held on the occasion of Lt. Col. Ghamdi's appointment here, was attended by Bahraini Chief of Staff Brig. Sheikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al-Khalifa.

world and the Gulf, in the light of the recent development in Arab and international issues. They will also discuss bilateral relations, Zawawi said.

ABU DHABI, Sept. 1 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan Tuesday received a cable of thanks from Dr. Yeoh Chim Seng, acting president of the Republic of Singapore, in reply to his cable on the occasion of Singapore's national day.

ABU DHABI, Sept. 1 (WAM) — Yacoub Al-Kindi, acting under-secretary of the Foreign Ministry, Tuesday conferred here with Ahmed Hussein Al-Marouni, North Yemen's ambassador to the UAE, and reviewed with him bilateral relations.

MUSCAT, Sept. 1 (SPA) — UAE President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan will pay an official visit to Oman, during which he will hold talks with Sultan Qabus ibn Said. Quais Zawawi, Omani state minister for foreign affairs, said Tuesday that a date for the visit has not been fixed yet. The two leaders' talks will deal with the situation in the Arab

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Returning to Mideast soon

Cheysson says talks with Syria 'useful'

DAMASCUS, Sept. 1 (AP) — Declaring he will return to the Middle East and Israel soon, French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson wound up his Middle East tour and left Paris Monday after talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad in the northern Syrian city of Lattakia.

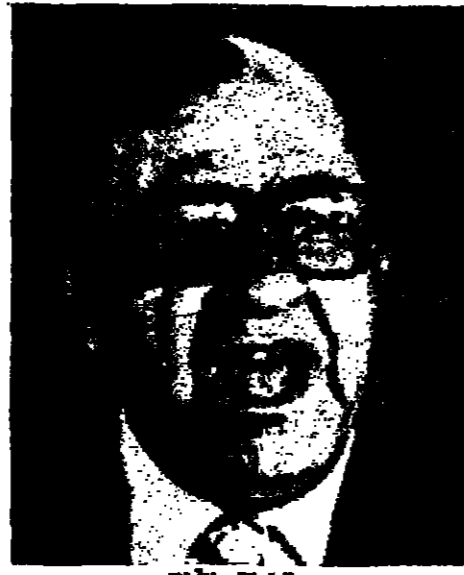
stand. Israel was critical of the visit. But Cheysson said: "I have no intention to comment on that. France is a sovereign country and we are free to move with whoever we wish."

For health reasons

Habib said resigning in November

By Tod Robberson, Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 — Philip Habib, the U.S. special envoy to the Middle East, who was instrumental in securing a ceasefire in Lebanon, is expected to resign as of November, according to sources close to Habib.



Philip Habib

His career as a diplomat, combined with his refusal to hold a public audience on his diplomatic efforts, were seen as his main advantages in dealing with Middle Eastern leaders.

On 12th anniversary

Libya displays Soviet weaponry

TEL AVIV, Sept. 1 (R) — Libya displayed Soviet weaponry at big military parade to mark the 12th anniversary of its revolution today, while Syria, which has said it will ally with Libya, also celebrated with a military holiday.

added that land, air and naval units were in the parade and Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi took the salute. Several foreign guests, including Palestinian Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat watched the parade.

Seek asylum sought

Turkish youth

ATHENS, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — A 28-year-old Turkish national asked for political asylum in Greece Monday, the Turkish government said Saturday, police officers said Tuesday.

Turkey drops case against journalist

ANKARA, Sept. 1 (R) — The Turkish authorities have dropped legal proceedings against a correspondent of the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) in Ankara as Justice Minister Cevdet Mentes intervened, government sources said Tuesday.

They said Cypriot-born Munir who also works for The Financial Times of London and other European and American publications have been told informally of the decision.

The government said the justice minister had exercised his legitimate right. The sources said the justice ministry had informed the foreign ministry of the decision and formal notification would be sent to Munir.

Ship to carry Iranian boats

CHERBOURG, Sept. 1 (R) — Three French-built Iranian missile boats, including one hijacked last month, will go to Iran aboard a cargo vessel rather than under their own power, Cherbourg port authorities said Tuesday.

The officials in this western French port, where the boats were built and from which they originally left for Iran Aug. 2, said a cargo vessel was expected Wednesday to pick up the "cradle" on which the missile boats were laid down.

The boats were initially due to go home on their own via the Suez Canal. Port authorities in Cherbourg speculated that the poor state of relations between Iran and Egypt might have caused the change of plan.

Turkish hijackers say they are guilty

VIENNA, Sept. 1 (R) — Four Turkish leftists who hijacked a Turkish airliner to Bulgaria last May pleaded guilty to air piracy at the opening of their trial in Sofia, the official Bulgarian news agency BTA reported.

The four, Ekrem Kaluc, Ahmed Balkan, Jem Gulsoi and Jelyal Aitan, belong to a militant group called Deve-Sol (revolutionary left). They hijacked a Turkish airlines DC-9 to the Black Sea resort of Burgas May 24.

They threatened to kill five American bankers aboard and to blow up the plane unless the Ankara government released 47 prisoners in Turkey and paid \$500,000 ransom. The hijack ended without deaths or serious injury after more than 30 hours when Bulgarian police lured two of the hijackers out of the plane.

Marines visit Istanbul

LIUVMCIJUL, Turkey, Sept. 1 (AP) — Two U.S. warships dropped anchor in the Bosphorus Tuesday and American sailors took shore leave in Istanbul for the first time in several years, port sources reported.

The cruiser USS Biddle and destroyer USS King, both attached to the Mediterranean-based Sixth Fleet, had completed a three-day cruise in the Black Sea.

In two operations 163 Ethiopian troops killed by TPLF men

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Sept. 1 — The Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF) forces have ambushed and killed 163 Ethiopian troops at a place called May Mebrri Aug. 30 and inflicted heavy losses on the convoy of the 35th Brigade ranger army which was moving from the town of Maichew on the Asmara-Addis Ababa Road to Makalle, capital of Tigray, a press statement released here said Tuesday.

A huge pile of arms and ammunition, communication equipment and four loaded trucks were also seized. After a four-hour fight, the Ethiopian troops were forced to disperse in disarray.

Contingents of the Ethiopian troops who tried to move into the surrounding towns of Rektia, south Tigray, in order to forcibly conscript the people for the militia, collect tax and rob the people for their belongings were attacked by TPLF volunteers and in this operation 60 enemy troops were killed, two of them majors. On the same day, a convoy moving from Shire to Axum was ambushed in a place called Beles, western Tigray, a number of soldiers were killed and wounded and valuable material seized, the release said.

The TPLF fighters thereupon entered the town of Feresmay, central Tigray, and in the sweeping operation, they captured 200 head of cattle, goats and sheep and took them to the liberated areas. Some soldiers from the enemy side have defected to the TPLF, the statement added.

As a retaliation, the Ethiopian forces entered Wolkait, western Tigray, and they razed 131 houses of innocent people. They took away 500 cattle, 300 goats and sheep, slaughtered 400 animals and looted many houses. They took away \$16,000. They also executed a number of peasants. Many were imprisoned and families were forced to pay \$1,000 to \$2,000. Those unable to pay were tortured by the Ethiopian government forces.

The same was repeated in Wajrat where 20 houses were burnt, four peasants killed and two seriously injured. Nine grain storages were destroyed, the TPLF said.

N. Korean premier visits Damascus

DAMASCUS, Sept. 1 (R) — Prime Minister Li Jong-Ok of North Korea has arrived in Damascus at the head of a government delegation on a five-day official visit to Syria.

He was met at the airport by Prime Minister Abdul Rauf Kassar and other ministers. In a press statement, Li said he hoped his visit would promote and strengthen friendly relations between North Korea and Syria.

In Vatican

Iranians held for seizing embassy

ROME, Sept. 1 (R) — About 20 supporters of Iran's Mujahedin movement occupied their country's embassy to the Vatican Tuesday but ended the protest after about 40 minutes, police said.

The occupiers were arrested after they left the building in a Rome suburb and were taken away in police vans. Eye-witnesses said the protest was peaceful and the group did not seem to be armed.

Police cordoned off the building, in the north Rome suburb of Parioli, where a spokesman for the group had requested a meeting with Italian journalists, he said.

Tuesday's incident was the 12th of its kind worldwide in the past three months. Last week, Iranian dissidents briefly occupied Iranian embassies in the Hague, Stockholm and Brussels. The incidents ended without bloodshed. Student groups opposed to the

rule of Ayatollah Khomeini in Iran claimed responsibility for last month's embassy occupations.

No attempt was made to occupy the main Iranian embassy in Rome, accredited to the Italian state, a spokesman said by telephone. A large villa located in the east of the city, it is guarded by Italian police outside and internally by private security men aided by young Iranians loyal to the government.

Iran's first ambassador to the Vatican since the 1979 revolution is a mullah named Hojatolislam Seyed Hadi Khosroshahi, who took up his post last May. It was not known whether he was inside the building when it was occupied.

Iran has had no ambassador to Italy since last June when career diplomat Nassir Sadat Salami was sacked by his foreign ministry but fled into hiding rather than return home.

Egyptian stand delays pact with W. Germany

CAIRO, Sept. 1 (R) — The initialing of an agreement for peaceful nuclear cooperation between Egypt and West Germany was postponed for 10 days due to differences on who should sign it, Egyptian officials said Tuesday. They said the agreement, due to be initialled Wednesday, was put off until Sept. 12 after Egypt requested the two governments should be the signatories rather than the respective nuclear authority organizations.

West German scientific representative in the negotiations, Reinhold Loosch of the ministry of technology left for Bonn for consultations, West German sources said. The agreement was "almost wrapped up and the Egyptian request will not be a problem," the source added. Details of the agreement were not disclosed but Egyptian officials said it paves the way eventually for the purchase of at least two nuclear power stations worth \$1 billion each.

Egypt plans curbs on religious groups

CAIRO, Sept. 1 (R) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has called a special session of parliament for Saturday and will announce new measures to curb the activities of religious groups, the government-guided press reported here.

The weekly newspaper Mayo, published by Sadat's ruling National Democratic Party, said the president had canceled all his engagements this week to study reports on last June's sectarian fighting in the Cairo suburb of Zaawy al-Hamra in which at least 14 persons were killed. The fighting, between Muslims and members of Egypt's Coptic Christian minority, was the worst in the country since the food riots of 1977.

Mayo said some of Egypt's 1,500 religious societies had gone beyond the purposes for which they were registered with the government, and Western diplomats said they could be disbanded. Police last week confiscated the Muslim Brotherhood magazine Ad-Daawa for the second successive month.

Ali leaves for Thailand

CAIRO, Sept. 1 (AP) — Egypt's Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali departed for Thailand Tuesday on the first leg of a five-nation Asian tour designed to promote bilateral relations, the Middle East News Agency reported.

The agency said Ali would also visit Singapore, China, North Korea and Japan during the 18-day trip. Foreign ministry officials have said he would seek Asian participation in efforts to settle the Middle East conflict.

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Advertisement for Arirang-Jeddah hotel, offering Japanese, Chinese, and Korean food.

## Anti-Vietnamese front

## Cambodian leaders to meet in Singapore

SINGAPORE, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Leaders of Cambodia's three widely divergent opposition factions meet here Thursday to try to work out a minimum common program on which to build a coalition government and possibly a united anti-Vietnamese front.

At the talks will be former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who now leads the relatively insignificant group called Moulinaka, his onetime Prime Minister Son Sann, who heads the Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPRLF), and Khieu Samphan, president and prime minister of the ousted Khmer Rouge regime.

United only in their determination to rid Cambodia (Kampuchea) of the Vietnamese troops who invaded the country in December 1978, toppling the Khmer Rouge regime headed by Pol Pot, they hold widely differing views on how this can be achieved.

Observers here consider it a major achievement that the three mutually suspicious leaders have agreed to meet at all, though they do not expect a major breakthrough in their first three-way get-together.

The major factor in the talks is seen as the attitude of Son Sann, who has consistently ruled out any cooperation with the Khmer Rouge — held responsible during their extremist rule for the death of hundreds of thousands of their countrymen from torture and starvation — unless real power was transferred to him.

Son Sann, who heads the largest non-Communist opposition faction, has demanded the lion's share of portfolios in a future coalition government and the exile of

## 15 Indians die in rail mishap

NEW DELHI, Sept. 1 (AFP) — The official death toll in Monday's railroad accident in the southern Andhra Pradesh state rose to 15 Tuesday with 88 injured, reports reaching here said. All the injured were hospitalized, with 30 of them in "serious" condition and it was feared that the death toll could go much higher.

In the accident, a New Delhi-bound express train from Madras went off the rails at Asifabad, about 800 kms southeast of here. Over 1,000 passengers were in the 21 carriages, of which 17 were derailed, the reports said.

The cause of the accident was not immediately clear, but opposition members in the Indian parliament's lower house Tuesday demanded the resignation of Railway Minister Kedar Pandey whom they blamed for the increasing number of rail accidents. The Indian railways are a public undertaking controlled by the federal government.

## Sri Lankans form peace committee

COLOMBO, Sept. 1 (AFP) — The government and the opposition Tamil United Liberation Front (TULF) have agreed to set up a high-level committee in an effort to end racial tension.

This was seen by political analysts as a major breakthrough in efforts to solve the problem of Sri Lanka's minority Tamils, efforts that have become more strenuous since the recent eruption of communal violence.

The committee under the chairmanship of President J. R. Jayewardene will include

some top Khmer Rouge leaders tainted by their role in the 1975-78 massacres.

Both conditions have been rejected by Khieu Samphan, whose 30,000-40,000 strong guerrilla army is the only credible fighting force in Cambodia, and whose regime holds the Cambodian seat in the United Nations. Strongly backed by China, and apparently emboldened by assurances of continued support in the United Nations, the Khmer Rouge leaders consider Son Sann stepping over the mark.

In contrast, Sihanouk, who had in the past bitterly denounced the Khmer Rouge, has adopted a flexible attitude. Apparently revising his belief that erosion of support for Democratic Kampuchea in the United Nations would give him a more decisive role, he now seems to view the maintenance of the regime's representation as vital for the campaign against the Vietnamese.

Though the threesome will be meeting at a local hotel without any outside participation, they will be deeply conscious of the pressure from the five-nation Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and other friendly countries to reach some kind of agreement. It was pressure from three of the ASEAN countries — Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia — that persuaded Son Sann to come to Singapore despite his earlier reservations.

ASEAN members and nations supporting its stance on the Cambodian representation at the United Nations felt that the Khmer Rouge regime needed a broader base to make it acceptable in the future to those countries critical of the regime's bloody record.

Sihanouk will be the guest of the Singapore government, but the two other groups will be on their own, though they will be given whatever facilities they need for the meeting.

Meanwhile, Vietnam has moved on three fronts to demonstrate its solidarity with Soviet-backed administrations in Libya, Afghanistan and Cuba. The Vietnam News Agency (VNA) said Tuesday that Vietnamese head of state Truong Chinh had paid tribute to the "glorious achievements" of the "valiant Libyan people" in a message to Col. Muammar Qaddafi on the occasion of the Arab state's national day.

In another move, Vietnam reiterated support for the Soviet-backed Babrak Karmal regime's call for negotiations with Pakistan and Iran, as a "constructive" bid to solve the situation in Afghanistan.

VNA added that Vietnam had also signed two cooperation agreements. The agreements, signed during the just-ended visit of Cuban Foreign Minister Isodoro Malmierca Peoli, exempt citizens of the two countries from visa requirements, and regulate cultural, educational and diplomatic cooperation.

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SEA TRIALS FOR SEAHAWK: Challenging landings and takeoffs are all part of the job for pilots testing the new U.S. Navy Seahawk SH-60B. Seen here is the Sikorsky helicopter undergoing sea trials on a frigate. It is the first time the Navy pilots, crews and maintenance personnel flew and supported the aircraft. The small deck area and a pitching sea make the exercise particularly testing.

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ex-guerrillas turned bandits after the ceasefire, roaming the countryside in a wave of robberies, murders and sex assaults that Mugabe has vowed to end.

"Government may yet offer a cash reward to people reporting the lawbreakers, and a few well-publicized court cases may persuade other informers to contact the police," the pro-government *Chronicle* newspaper in the country's second largest city of Bulawayo, scene of the worst post-independence violence, commented in an editorial on the last day of amnesty.

Whites were the main targets of the government gazette notice outlawing memorabilia from so-called UDI period Nov. 11, 1965, to independence April 17 last year. UDI was the unilateral declaration of independence announced in 1965 by former Prime Minister Ian D. Smith to entrench

white rule.

During that time the United Nations declared the rebel colony illegal and ordered the first mandatory economic sanctions ever imposed against a country by the world body.

The era also saw the beginning and end of the guerrilla war that was to cost 27,000 mainly black lives.

Beer mugs, military badges and plaques, T-shirts proclaiming "Rhodesia is Super" and other souvenirs found popularity, mainly among whites, during that period. They are all banned from Tuesday in accordance with the gazette notice, ordered by Home Affairs Minister Richard Hove in terms of emergency powers regulations — all embracing powers ironically passed by the Smith government to crack down on the black nationalists who control the government today.

## Contacts with dissidents

## China cautions foreign journalists

PEKING, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — Foreign journalists in China were advised Tuesday to stay away from political dissidents and warned "It's better not to report" on underground publications because it could be considered unfriendly to China.

Vice Foreign Minister Zhong Xidong told foreign correspondents: "I advise you to be prudent when you receive leaflets from underground publications." The press conference was called to discuss a wide range of questions from foreign resident journalists. Zhong made the comments when asked whether current campaigns against bourgeois liberalism would relate to the press.

"Don't get nervous," he told journalists, after warning them not to associate with anyone engaged in illegal activities. He said he had no knowledge of any journalists engaging in inappropriate behavior.

He said underground publications, now virtually suppressed, "represent only a small bunch of people and are not worth so much attention." Zhong said, however, that China does not intend to restrict journalists, nor normal access to Chinese people. He said

there are no formal restrictions against contact between foreign journalists and Chinese.

China has been suppressing underground publications and its democracy or free speech movement. Several editors and persons associated with underground publications have been arrested since last April.

Many journalists frequently have contacted Chinese dissidents and written stories about them. Many argue for more free speech, democracy and openly doubt or oppose communism, socialism and Marxism.

## Divers end search for riches in sunken ship

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (AP) — Divers have ended their month-long search through the *Andrea Doria's* murky corpse and were preparing Tuesday to weigh anchor with a locked safe and an answer to the liner's "last mystery."

The divers found one hole that the *Stockholm* opened in the *Andrea Doria's* side 25 years ago, expedition leader Peter Gimbel said. It was so large and so deep, he said, that it ended speculation about whether a missing watertight door caused the ship to sink so quickly.

The expedition made what spokesman Lillian Pickard termed "a very, very tough decision" to abandon the search for the purser's safe in the first class lounge. Instead, she said, divers spent Monday on final filming for a documentary on the expedition. The support vessel *Sea Level II* was to hoist anchor Tuesday and arrive back in Montauk, New York, Wednesday.

The *Andrea Doria* was rammed in darkness and fog on July 25, 1956. By the Swedish liner *Stockholm*. Forty-six passengers aboard the 29,000-ton Italian liner died. Five aboard the *Stockholm* lost their lives.

Divers hauled the Bank of Rome's first class safe to the surface last week. Gimbel said it will be cut open on live television at the end of the broadcast of his documentary on the expedition.

But an author who interviewed about 100 of the ship's passengers for his 1979 book on the *Andrea Doria's* demise said Monday he doubts anything of great value will be found in the safe. "The *Andrea Doria* was not the *Titanic*," William Hoffer, author of *Saved*, said in a telephone interview from his home in northern Virginia. "There were some rich people on board, but most of them were average ones."

Hoffer said no one he interviewed reported leaving anything of value in the safe. Several withdrew their valuables, anticipating an early arrival in New York. "They were ready to leave the ship," he said.

Actress Ruth Roman, one of the best known passengers, said contacted last month at her home in southern California that she had removed her jewels from the safe the night of the collision. "I lost everything," she said, "but it's not in that safe."

Hoffer dismissed much of the speculation as "lore being stirred up by people who want to sell a movie." "Also, it's a difficult dive, but not an impossible one. If there were riches down there, I think someone else would have gotten them by now. They (the Gimbel expedition) seem to be more interested in filming than salvaging. They're taking a Hollywood approach." He also questioned the significance of the divers' search for the allegedly missing watertight compartment door.

The real question, he said, was not why the ship sank so quickly, but why it listed so quickly after being hit. The *Andrea Doria* sank about 13 hours after the crash. The reason for the ship's abrupt list, he said, was that she has been riding high in the water. To save time and money, her captain had ordered her water and fuel tanks filled with seawater for ballast. If they had been, the ship would have been riding lower and steadier in the water, he said.

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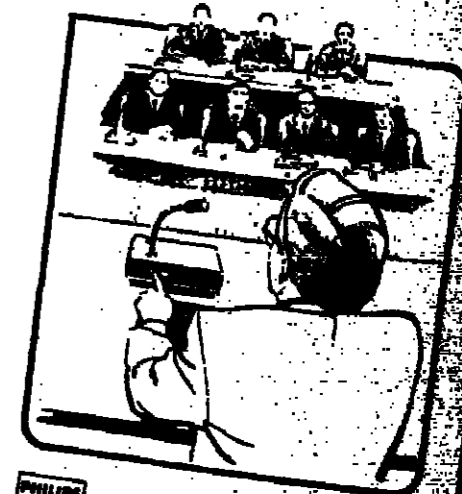
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To counter Soviets

# Japan to strengthen ties with free states

TOKYO, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Japan Tuesday pledged to further consolidate ties with other industrial democracies to counter the Soviet Union. In a report released with cabinet approval, the Foreign Ministry said Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan in December 1979 worsened U.S.-Soviet relations and created instability in general East-West relations.

Further tension was introduced as the Polish situation worsened, according to the 712-page report, dubbed the blue book on diplomacy. The annual report outlined the international developments during 1980, reviewed Japan's diplomatic efforts in coping with them and defined its future diplomatic tasks.

"To effectively arrest the Soviet moves which might endanger world peace and stability, the industrial democracies should fully cooperate in taking adequate measures," it said. The report added the Japanese government, which set up the ministerial council on comprehensive security in December 1980, will try to take such security measures by combing all forces available in the nation.

## Glue treats inoperable brain lesion

LA JOLLA, California, Sept. 1 (AP) — A new technique involving a super glue is being used to treat inoperable brain lesions at the University of California at San Diego.

Dr. Charles W. Kerber, the neurosurgeon who developed the technique, says he first got some advice from an inventor. "I learned a little bit about latex chemistry and a little bit about silicon chemistry, and I made a catheter with a balloon on the end which I could load up into the brain," Kerber said in an interview Sunday.

"And there is a tiny hole in the end of the balloon to let me send through some (X-ray) contrasting agent to see where in the brain I am to blow up the balloon to stop the blood flow there for a moment and then, using the same hole in the balloon, squirt in some glue, deflate the balloon and get out."

Kerber has treated 80 patients with a massive brain abnormality called arteriovenous malformation, or AVM. The abnormality, involving a tangled bundle of blood vessels in the brain, can lead to strokes and death.

According to colleagues, Kerber's a acrylic-based plastic glue hardens almost immediately. It seals off arteries and veins in the AVM, in effect starving it to death and diverting blood into normal blood vessels.

This is the first time that the blue book on diplomacy, first published in 1957, had mentioned the comprehensive security issue. Japan is also ready to play a political and economic role commensurate to its national power and actively give aid to nations close to countries in dispute or in conflict, it said.

Regarding the Iran-Iraq conflict and political instability in Iran, the report said "it was strongly felt that most urgent for world peace are countermeasures to be taken in the Middle East." In its relations with the United States, the report stressed that the cornerstone of Japan's postwar diplomacy has consistently been friendly and cooperative relations with the United States with bilateral security arrangements as its core.

It said Japan highly rates U.S. defense efforts as contributing to peace and stability in the industrial Western nations. It said Japan is resolved to play a role for world peace and stability commensurate with its national strength but ruled out a military role.

To improve relations with the Soviet Union, the report called on Moscow to solve the problem of the Soviet-held islands north of Japan and conclude a peace treaty with Tokyo.

Saying that Asia was a region where Japan will play a major role for peace and development, the report said Japan will continue to extend help to the non-Communist Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), maintain and expand friendly relations with South Korea, continue to extend a helping hand for China's modernization programs.

Japan will also promote friendly relations not only with the Asian countries but also other Third World nations so as to create constructive North-South relations, it added.

## Paris store detectives seek arms permission

PARIS, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Department store detectives guarding against shoplifters Tuesday demanded permission to carry a weapon, after two of them were shot down here Monday. One was killed and the other is fighting for his life. These privately hired detectives have no arms nor powers of arrest and feel handicapped when faced with growing shoplifting, equating one percent of profits in most big stores.

The problem was highlighted Monday afternoon when two detectives in "Samaritaine", the capital's oldest and one of the largest stores, spotted a man take a container of silver tableware worth 5,000 francs (about \$50). They followed him outside into the street — under French law they are not allowed to hold suspects on the premises — and he turned and opened fire at point-blank range.

## Cemeteries in France running out of space

PARIS, Sept. 1 (AFP) — The French government is faced with an unusual problem of overcrowding — not in cities, but in their cemeteries. The problem may be due to a social cause or it may be the result of poor urban planning, but the fact is: France's cemeteries are running out of space.

Since 1975 there has been relative stability in France's annual death rate but it is becoming clearer by the day that the present system of burying the dead is no longer adapted to changing circumstances. There appears, on the face of things, only one solution — cremation of the body.

But there is one major snag: How to change the average French person's religious attitude toward death and burial. The vast majority of French people are accustomed to thinking of a well-kept grave with flowers in a well-tended cemetery. The idea of reducing a loved one to ashes in a few seconds is not an easy one to hold.

## Spain seeks parliament OK on NATO

MADRID, Sept. 1 (AFP) — The Spanish leadership has formally asked parliament to bring the country into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) — a move opposed by the nation's Socialist and Communist parties. Spain's two legislative chambers, the Congress of Deputies and the Senate, are to vote on the proposal after a debate set for the opening of parliament's session during late September.

The cabinet adopted the draft law on NATO membership on Aug. 20, and the military command approved it the following day. The state council has ruled that a simple majority in both houses can approve the measure, instead of ratification by the national referendum prepared by the left. The Socialist Party is demanding, at the very least, that NATO membership be subject to an absolute majority in parliament — which the centrist government is not sure of obtaining.

Meanwhile, negotiations on a new friendship treaty between Spain and the United States resumed Monday but the thorniest issues were to remain in suspense until a decision on NATO was made.

These issues concern clauses covering the status of the four U.S. bases in Spanish territory, bilateral military cooperation and the amount to be paid by Washington for its military use of Spanish territory, a reliable source said. The treaty of friendship now in effect expires on Sept. 21. It will be extended pending Spain's NATO membership if Spain does decide to join the alliance. This would take place late this year or early next year.

Meanwhile, the Spanish cabinet has undergone a minor reshuffle following the resignation late Monday of Justice Minister Francisco Fernandez Ordonez, it was announced in the state gazette Tuesday.

Fernandez Ordonez is replaced by 58-year-old jurist Pio Cabanillas, minister to the premier's office, while that post has been filled by assistant secretary of state to the premier's office Matias Rodriguez. Named justice minister last September by then Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez, and retained by Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, Fernandez Ordonez was under growing criticism from his conservative colleagues in the ruling Democratic Center Union Party for his bill to allow divorce in Spain. The first divorce courts open for business Tuesday.

Fernandez Ordonez had also expressed reservations at the government's haste in taking Spain into NATO. His successor has held several government posts since taking office in Prime Minister Arias Navarro's first cabinet in January 1974 as minister for information and tourism. Matias Rodriguez, 33, had been assistant secretary of state since Sept. 20 last year.

## BRIEFS

MOSCOW (AFP) — Thai Vice Premier Pramarn Adireksarn conferred here with his Soviet counterpart Valentin Makeev, the Communist Party daily *Pravda* reported as the trip ended Tuesday. Maj.-Gen. Pramarn arrived in the Soviet Union last Tuesday for a week's official visit, accompanied by a Thai delegation of senior officials from the Foreign Ministry, Communications Ministry, and Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives.

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) — Philippine Foreign Minister Carlos Romulo will take over from his Panamanian counterpart Jorge Illueca as chairman of the United Nations Security Council during September, it was announced. The chairmanship of the Security Council proceeds in alphabetical order of the seated countries.

NEW DELHI (AFP) — Two persons were condemned to be hanged after being convicted of murdering a family of eight last year, the PTI news agency reported Tuesday. The judge in the central Indian town of Raigarh sentenced the two to death. They can now appeal to a higher court.

NEW DELHI (AFP) — The Indian Navy Tuesday took a major step toward self-sufficiency, laying the foundation stone of the first dry dock in the country. The 180 million-rupee (about \$20 million) project in Visakhapatnam, on the east coast, will be completed by 1986. The dock will be constructed to meet the specific requirements of the Navy's surface vessels and submarines.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — A gas bomb exploded in a crowded dance hall Sunday and four girls were trapped to death in the ensuing stampede, local police said Monday.

BARCELONA, Spain (AFP) — Artist Salvador Dali is suffering from a purely organic disease and is not a paranoiac, according to a neurologist treating the Spanish surrealist. "Dali can perfectly well recover, but it is impossible to say when," Dr. Francis Pierre Martin said Monday.

## Campaign for cremation

# Cemeteries in France running out of space

It is worth examining the case of Lyons, central France, the nation's second largest city. In 1980 there were 6,700 funerals in Lyons — and only 600 cremations. Lyons authorities have done their best to extend burial space and open new cemeteries but these measures have been insufficient. It is the same story in other French cities.

At some stage city officials will have to limit the depth and extent of family vaults in cemeteries. Pierre Conchonnet, the Lyons city aide responsible for cemeteries, is convinced that crisis point will be reached in the nineties.

There will not only be lack of space, but also health dangers. "The soil is so saturated with corpses that a body buried eight or 10 years ago is still in a decomposed state whereas 15 years ago the body would have been reduced to a skeleton in a matter of four years or so," a cemetery official said. The Lyons Health Department has been carrying out a major study of this phenomenon, which is daily becoming more evident.

It has discovered that certain medicines and drugs taken during a person's lifetime, particularly antibiotics, tend to conserve the body's tissues longer than normal even after death.

At the same time the earth in cemeteries is becoming more and more impoverished and no longer contributes as efficiently to decaying processes. It is a vicious circle which worsens as more bodies are buried in restricted space.

The decaying process is also slowed down by the new materials used in coffins, which last longer than the old, wooden ones. One solution has been to plant trees in cemeteries so that they can purify the soil by natural means.

But city officials in Lyons and other main cities realize that cremation is the only clean-cut solution to the problem. Other countries have already come to this conclu-

sion. In Britain the cremation rate is 65 percent, in Denmark 50 percent and in the Netherlands 97 percent.

But in France in 1980 the figure was less than one percent or 5,000 cremations for 550,000 deaths. A major factor was the long-time refusal of the Catholic Church to allow priests to hold a funeral service at a cremation ceremony.

But as the French Catholic Church incessantly proclaims its preference for burials, cremations have barely increased in the past 18 years. The Lyons city hall has launched a pro-cremation campaign stressing three points:

- 1) Cremation saves space. In the space at present filled by four coffins, 200 urns with ashes could be stored.
  - 2) Burial is unhealthy.
  - 3) Cremation is 10 times cheaper than burial.
- These three advantages should guarantee the future of cremation.

## French moves signal support for 3rd World

PARIS, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Socialist France's new foreign policy has revealed, in the past week, three initiatives signaling a strong trend in support of the Third World. These initiatives came over the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), El Salvador and Southern Africa.

Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson met PLO leader Yasser Arafat in Beirut Sunday, and by doing so undoubtedly prevented the Arab world from being too skeptical in judging France's policy over the Middle East. However, careful Paris intends to be in handling Israel, the fact is that France is counting on better use of capital from Arab states to boost a world new economic order set up by a renewed North-South dialogue.

In this way, France approaches the viewpoint of the majority of the non-aligned world, while moving away from that of Washington. The same can be said over El Salvador. A joint Franco-Mexican statement last Friday, by recognizing the rights of the opposition to the ruling junta, was in direct contradiction with United States policy.

France, congratulated on this by Cuba, backs the progressive view that land reform is essential to any solution to the El Salvador situation, while President Reagan looks on it as exclusively a matter of security and big power competition.

Regarding Southern Africa, France has condemned the South African attack on Angola in far stronger terms than other Western countries. Last Friday, the French ambassador to the United Nations, Jacques

Leprêtre, told the Security Council that the invasion of Angola by South Africa was "unprovoked and unjustified". Other Western ambassadors limited their criticism to calling the attack an "unjustifiable intervention", while the United States vetoed an anti-Apartheid resolution.

France has also criticized "the refusal of the South African government, under fallacious pretets, to accept the opening phases of the United Nations settlement on Namibia." Paris wants to act as the spokesman for the Africans within the five-nation "contact group" on Namibia — the other members are Britain, Canada, the United States and West Germany.

These three new initiatives were made on the eve of the two-week United Nations conference on least developed countries, and France's new support for the Third World will be stressed in the opening speech later Tuesday of President Francois Mitterrand.

## K2 scaled by new route

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 1 (AP) — A Japanese and a Pakistani reached the summit of the 8,611-meter-high K2, the world's second highest mountain, without oxygen and became the first to successfully use the difficult western ridge route.

Eiho Ohtani and Pakistani Nazir Sabir reached the top on Aug. 7, said Teruo Matsura, leader of the 14-member team. Two British expeditions failed in attempts to scale K2 by the western ridge approach in 1978 and 1980.

## 'Heavy attacks' carried out on Salvador Army

SAN SALVADOR, Sept. 1 (AP) — Leftists have carried out "heavy attacks" last weekend on army deployments in southeastern El Salvador and blocked a number of major access roads to the area, their radio Venoceros said.

It said Monday the leftists blew up a number of bridges and blocked roads leading into the southeastern provinces of San Miguel and La Union but made no mention of casualties.

The clandestine broadcast also claimed Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front or FMLN also sustained repeated engagements with government army patrols in points north of the capital, killing at least five soldiers.

Front members were involved in clashes in Suchitoto, Guazapa and Chalatenango, all between 20 and 61 miles north, the radio said. An army spokesman, who requested anonymity for security reasons, claimed the radio's reports were not true and described the weekend actions as skirmishes and minor clashes but gave no details.

The front, a coalition of five of the six groups fighting for power, was recognized by Mexico and France last week along with the Democratic Revolutionary Front or FDR, a federation of some 40 leftist groups, as legitimate political forces in El Salvador.

Both organizations recently formed a coalition in their fight to overthrow the U.S.-backed ruling junta of three civilians and one army colonel. The junta, in turn, declared the two groups illegal.

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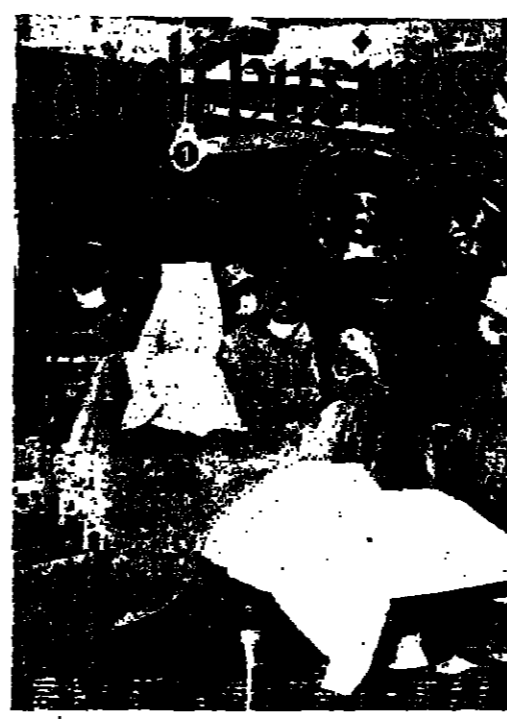
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## Sri Lanka harnesses monsoon rain

By Keith Stafford

**MADURA OYA, Sri Lanka** — Engineers from Canada and Europe are repeating history in Sri Lanka, following the example of ancient kings who undertook massive water conservation projects across the country to improve irrigation. Historians credit King Parakramabahu, who died in 1186, with saying not one drop of water on the island should escape into the sea without being used by man. He supported his own advice by building a huge reservoir, covering nearly 6,000 acres at the city of Polonnaruwa, in the center of the country. It is still a source of irrigation water today. Now, the Sri Lankan government is undertaking an enormous scheme — estimated by the finance ministry to cost two billion dollars — to hold back the waters of the 330-mile-long (530 kms) Mahaweli River, which runs from the tea plantations on the Sri Lankan highlands down to the sea beside the north-eastern port of Trincomalee. Like many Third World countries, Sri Lanka, formerly known as Ceylon, is plagued by geography and climate which inhibit development, in its case the passage of monsoon rain across the country twice a year. Between May and July, torrential rain slashes across the south and west of the country, while from December to January deluges fall on the north and east. These downpours serve only to muddy baked-hard dry topsoil and subsequent rain runs off quickly along the rivers to the sea, with drought following in the wake. Sri Lanka again this year suffered from serious drought and in August the government estimated half-a-million of the 15 million population were being affected, with food supplies dwindling. Sri Lanka also faces the rising costs of importing fuels and meagre foreign exchange earnings which which to pay for them. Thus it needs to increase power generation at hydroelectric plants, a need

the finance ministry said in a recent report "cannot be overemphasized." The Mahaweli project is regarded as an answer to both major problems and a key to the country's development. It involves building four dams along the river basin to trap the monsoon rain, with water initially used as power for hydroelectric stations, doubling the country's hydroelectricity generating capacity, and then moved either beyond the dams or through tunnels to adjacent valleys to increase the country's irrigated land by about 10,000 acres (4,050 hectares). The original plan for Sri Lanka's largest ever development project, was for five dams, but had to be reduced because of rising costs. The largest project is the \$250 million Victoria project partly financed by a 100 million sterling (\$180 million) grant by the British government. British engineering and construction companies are now building a 555 meter long dam rising to 440 meters high across the river as it emerges from the highlands not far from the old capital of Kandy. The dam will trap about 730 million cubic meters (955 cubic yards) of water, ultimately generating 210 megawatts of hydroelectric power. So far the river has been diverted away from the site and water tunnels are being built to carry water to the power station. Further downstream, the river will again be delayed on its seaward journey at Kotmale dam, being built by Swedish companies with the financial support of about 630 million Swedish crowns (\$120 million) from the Swedish government. This project ran into geological problems due to unstable soils at the original site so the scheme was shifted downstream and now work has started on a planned 200 megawatt power station. The Madura Oya project here in the eastern part of the river basin, 20 miles (30 kms) across swirling dust roads from the nearest town, will create a reservoir for holding irrigation water to feed both the valley below the dam and pipe water through a

3.75 mile (six km) tunnel to an often parched neighboring valley. About 75 Canadians, 2200 local staff and 1,500 Sri Lankan laborers are involved in the project which is costing 110 million Canadian dollars (\$133 million) with the Canadian government providing a loan of 76 million Canadian dollars (\$92 million). The work started in October 1980 and the Canadian project manager, says he expects to trap monsoon waters flowing down from the highlands after the rains fall towards the end of 1982. The four dam, the Randeniya/Rantambe reservoir, is still at the planning stage, with technical assistance from the West German government. The dams are the most spectacular part of the project, but the overall plan embraces canals and irrigation channels across the river basin. New associated industries, such as forestry, are being developed, roads laid and prefabricated housing hauled into planned new settlement sites alongside the new water flow. Finance for these works is coming from Japan, the Netherlands, the World Bank and Arab countries. Financing so far has been steadily forthcoming for the project, but the sheer size of the overall plan is causing some concern. The World Bank has noted it will be exhausting 55 per cent of Sri Lanka's development resources next year. In July, 17 countries which extend aid to Sri Lanka met in Tokyo and decided to give it 723.44 million Special Drawing Rights, the International currency created by the International Monetary Fund. The Sri Lankan finance minister, Ronnie de Mel, told parliament after aid announcement, the Special Drawing Rights would be worth about \$948 million, but warned: "If we are to continue with the massive development program on which we have embarked, we must raise substantial additional resources of our own, chiefly by new taxation. There is no easy road to development." — (R)

## Solidarity marks first anniversary

By Susanne M. Schaper

**WARSAW** — With several bold strokes from Lech Walesa's papal sash and the subdued signature of Vice Premier Mieczyslaw Jagielski, the independent labor federation Solidarity got its birth certificate one year ago Monday. Spawned by the desperate actions of a disgruntled work force, the Soviet bloc's first independent trade union in its first year has become an established center of authority in Polish society, locked in a duel for power with the Communist government. Solidarity's red and white banners flutter from public buildings where a year ago signs called on the workers to strive for the cause of socialism. A billboard advertising a movie about the workers' revolt in Gdansk last August hangs in Warsaw's main thoroughfare, in front of the Soviet-built Palace of Culture. Solidarity T-shirts are the most fashionable unisex clothing available. The raven-haired barmaid at the Black Cat, Warsaw's liveliest disco, pins a Solidarity button to her bosom. Television, radio and the press are filled with reports of the union. It has offices in every major city, and its weekly newspaper has an estimated circulation of 500,000. The largest industrial plants are abuzz with union meetings, votes and now and again strikes. One of the initial demands of the Gdansk strikers last summer was greater access for the Roman Catholic Church to the media. Now, mass once heard only in church is broadcast each Sunday by the national government radio service. The sweeping changes transforming Polish society have not left the Communist Party untouched, as the democratizing measures adopted during the July party congress show. But the union wants more. And as it prepares for its first national congress, beginning Sept. 5 in Gdansk, it is best with its own problems as well as Poland's. Walesa and other national leaders of Solidarity have remained basically moderate, but they are under pressure from many of the 10 million rank-and-file members for a more combative attitude to achieve even more radical changes. The union is still confronting the government on several basic issues on which there has been little agreement. They include the part Solidarity and the workers should play in the reconstruction of near-bankrupt economy and union access to the mass media. While Solidarity contends that workers should have greater autonomy in production and management decisions, including choosing factory directors, the government insists that it will remain in control of the process. The government has also agreed to part of Solidarity's demand for regular TV and radio time and newspaper columns of its own, but negotiations are continuing. Each issue between the government and the union in the past year has led to demonstrations, strikes and bitter discussions. Each side has hurled threats and warnings, building confrontations that disappeared as some sort of compromise was reached. "What is going on in Poland is a kind of revolution, a social revolution, and I am deeply convinced that it will end in agreement between the authorities, Solidarity and the people," said Romuald Kukulowicz, who has helped mediate numerous disputes between the union and the government. "I can see things are changing radically," he said in an interview with the government news agency. "I'm confident that agreement is only a matter of time, a matter of specifying the scope of the rights of each of the parties concerned. And this is bound to end in agreement." (AP)

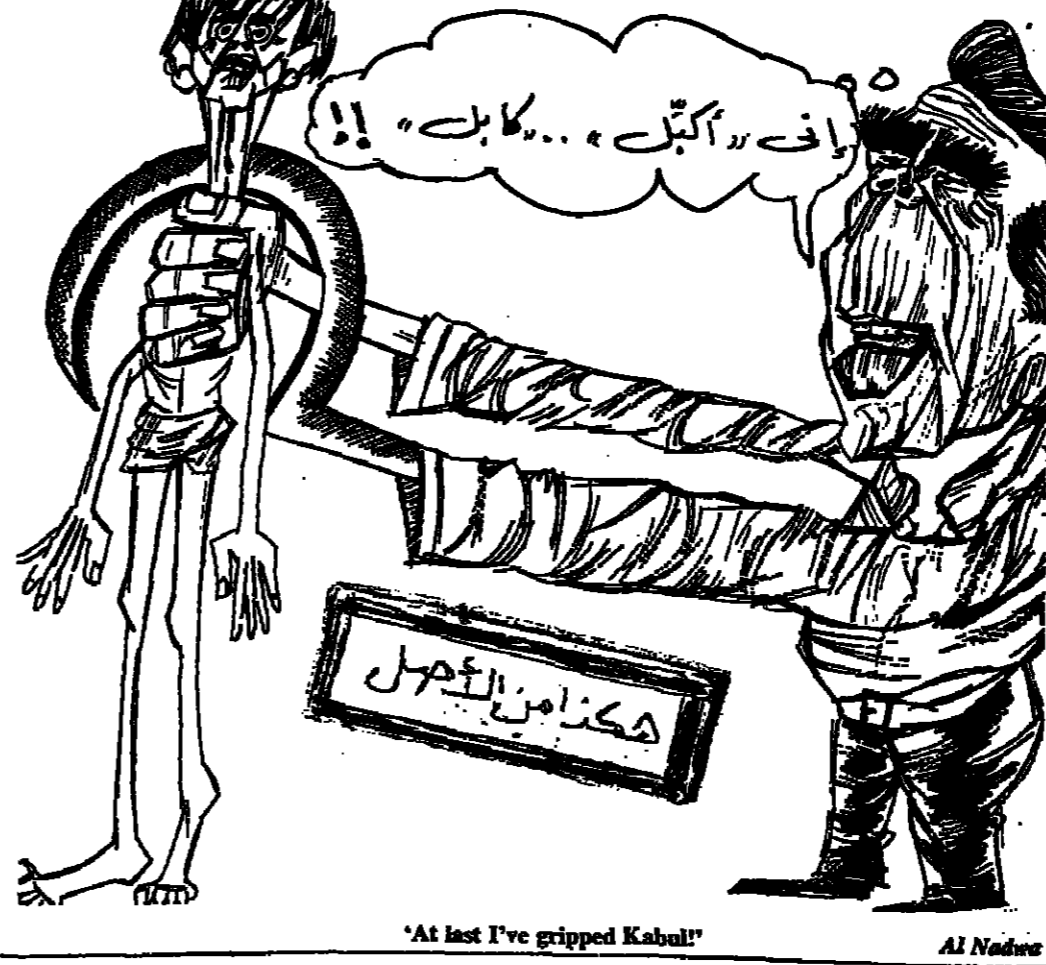
## BOMBS, BOMBS, BOMBS...

Anti-American demonstrations and violence around the world followed the announcement by President Reagan that the United States will produce neutron bombs and establish neutron stockpiles for dispatch to any trouble area. Of course, the definition of where a "trouble area" might be would be up to President Reagan. If U.S. actions during the past several weeks provide any insight, these areas could be just about anywhere in the world. Violent reaction to Mr. Reagan's announcement is not surprising. The U.S. president seems determined to trample the bird of peace in support of military escalation and aggression with bombs, neutron bombs and Euromissiles — all at the expense of individual interests and the rights of other nations. Even acknowledging that the Soviet Union and other superpowers do pose a threat to each other, the blatant policies personalized by President Reagan suggest that he is in his final B-movie, where the ending can hardly be written in and everyone lives happily ever after. What Mr. Reagan seems to have forgotten is that there may be other superpowers determined to end the movie their way — while the audience can do little but watch in disbelief as the theater burns down. The script, in the meantime, is causing the United States to trade a position of world respect for a reputation of irresponsibility and aggressiveness. The recent demonstrations and bombings indicate the United States is already obtaining a sinister reputation. Everyone recalls the end of World War II, perhaps Mr. Reagan has forgotten its role in the deaths of thousands and the continuing effects of nuclear warfare now being felt by many innocent people who were not even born when the bomb was dropped on Japan. Perhaps the Cubans weren't so far fetched, when shortly after the Libyan incident, they suggested that the United States may soon claim Cuba is within U.S. territory — perhaps after that the Caribbean, South America, or El Salvador. Bombs, bombs, bombs, and the end could be in sight, literally, for everyone. Perhaps Mr. Reagan has found the answer to the problems of all the peoples of the world, annihilation, after all, would mean all problems would cease to exist. Surely peace is a better alternative.

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

*Al-Jazirah* and *Al-Madina* Tuesday gave lead coverage official talks between King Khalid and visiting Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda on bilateral relations and current international issues. Other newspapers led with the opening session of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) ministerial meeting, which was chaired by Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal in Taif Monday. Newspapers frontpaged the weekly meeting of the Council of Ministers presided over by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard. It also gave page one prominence to SR694 million housing contracts signed by Prince Abdullah for the National Guard personnel. *Al-Nadwa* reported on its front page that President Jaywardene of Sri Lanka will start an official visit to Saudi Arabia next Saturday. Newspaper editorials mostly dealt with the ongoing GCC ministerial conference. *Al-Madina* noted that the conference will try to achieve the fundamental objectives set by the leaders of the member states. It described the council as the first step toward unity among a group of Arab and Islamic states, and said that the economic matters, which are being discussed by the council, aim at eliminating the obstacles and differences. The paper held the confidence that the ongoing meetings will be instrumental in bringing welfare for the Arab and Islamic nations, as the member states are determined to make concerted efforts toward the realization of a comprehensive coordination among themselves in all fields. Discussing the same subject, *Al-Jazirah* observed that, while most of the industrialized nations of the world are suffering from economic, social and security problems as well as unemployment, the Gulf states enjoy an excellent standard of living and are making cooperative efforts for further progress and prosperity of their peoples. The paper urged strong public support for the GCC and the leaders of the member states, in order to help the council realize economic, political and social integration among the member states and their peoples.

In an editorial, *Al-Nadwa* described the GCC conference as an advanced step toward the realization of cooperation and coordination, among the Gulf states, which will consequently bring more stability and security for the region. The council has, in fact, symbolized the hopes and aspirations of the peoples of the region and has taken shape as a fundamental factor leading to more solidarity among the Arab and Islamic states, it said. The paper urged a united action and a strong cooperation among the member states so that they find themselves capable of confronting all challenges and evil designs of hostile powers. Meanwhile, *Okaz* dealt on the Zambian President's visit to Saudi Arabia, saying that talks between the leaders of the two countries assumed special significance in regard to Arab-African cooperation in supporting the Arab and African issues. The paper expressed satisfaction with Zambia's stance on the issue of Palestine and reminded that Zambia had demonstrated a friendly gesture toward the Arabs by breaking its diplomatic ties with Israel in the wake of the Israeli aggression on Arab states in 1967. Saudi Arabia, on its part, attaches great importance to meetings with the African states out of its firm belief in the need for a strong Arab-African cooperation. Saudi Arabia's strong relations with the African states have helped the latter to have a thorough understanding of the justness of Arab issues, with the result that the African states have supported them at all international forums. The King's meeting with the Zambian leader is a crowning success to bilateral relations which are based on mutual respect. On the same subject, *Al-Bilad* noted that Saudi Arabia has always attached great importance to Africa through positive dialogues with the African leaderships, with a view to serving common interests and confronting the challenges of ambitious powers.



Al-Nadwa

# Oldest U.S. admiral is called 'reckless'

By Christopher Hanson

WASHINGTON (R) — America's oldest most famous living admiral is trying to cut out a fresh storm of controversy over charges that he risked the lives of the crew of nuclear submarines during his sea trials, accusations of reckless seamanship have leveled against 81-year-old Admiral

disclose the charges by the submarine builders, "the sharks are circling the crusty old admiral once again. And pressure is building to get him beached permanently this time around."

Always controversial

Admiral Rickover, has been embroiled in controversy throughout his navy career.

## 81-year-old Admiral Rickover refuses to retire; officials considering his reappointment.

Admiral Rickover, the "father" of the United States Navy's nuclear submarine force whose career in uniform has repeatedly been peppered by dispute.

Sub Builders complain

The latest storm to engulf the acerbic, out-en admiral, who has served longer in the Navy than any other officer in history, is in from the builders of American nuclear submarines, the Electric Boat Division of giant defense contractors, General Dynamics.

The company complained in a letter to Admiral Thomas Hayward, the Chief of Naval Operations, that Admiral Rickover grossly mishandled an emergency maneuver while the fast attack submarine, *La*, was undergoing sea trials in the Atlantic July 27.

Backward Dive Attempted

The general manager of Electric Boat, J. V. Velofis, asserted in the letter that Admiral Rickover's slow responses caused the submarine to plunge in to a rear first-dive which could have killed everyone aboard.

He also claimed Admiral Rickover had led a similar incident last January when he boarded the submarine *Jacksonville*. The allegations, on which Admiral Rickover's office has declined to comment, are known as officials of President Carter's administration are considering her to extend the veteran admiral's intiment as head of the navy's nuclear propulsion programs for two years.

Active Duty Opposed

Admiral Rickover was due to retire from active duty in 1982 but has remained on active duty despite opposition, by critics though not support in congress and the White House. Officials have justified Admiral Rickover's long past normal ment age on the ground that he is the navy's leading naval nuclear propulsion officer.

He helped to invent an early nuclear reactor and was responsible for the launch of the world's first nuclear submarine, *The Nautilus*, the progenitor of a powerful American fleet of atomic submarines. According to Jack Anderson, the syndicated newspaper columnist who was first to

Disdaining established procedures and scornful of bureaucrats, he was twice passed over for promotion to rear admiral and his career seemed doomed to end. But, under pressure from the Senate's powerful Armed Services Committee, the navy convened a special promotion board with virtual orders to select him as an admiral.

His brusqueness and unorthodox methods in pursuit of his dreams of achieving nuclear propulsion has made him many enemies over the years. Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, former chief of naval operations now retired, was quoted in the *New Republic* magazine as saying: "a malady afflicts — and continues to afflict — the whole navy... (it) can be described in one word — Rickover."

According to a well-known navy anecdote, Admiral Rickover once told a prospective submariner who had just become engaged that he would have to choose between marriage and submarines. The candidate reached for a telephone, called his fiancée and said everything was off, whereupon Rickover promptly rejected him because he was too easy to push around.

Shamed President Carter

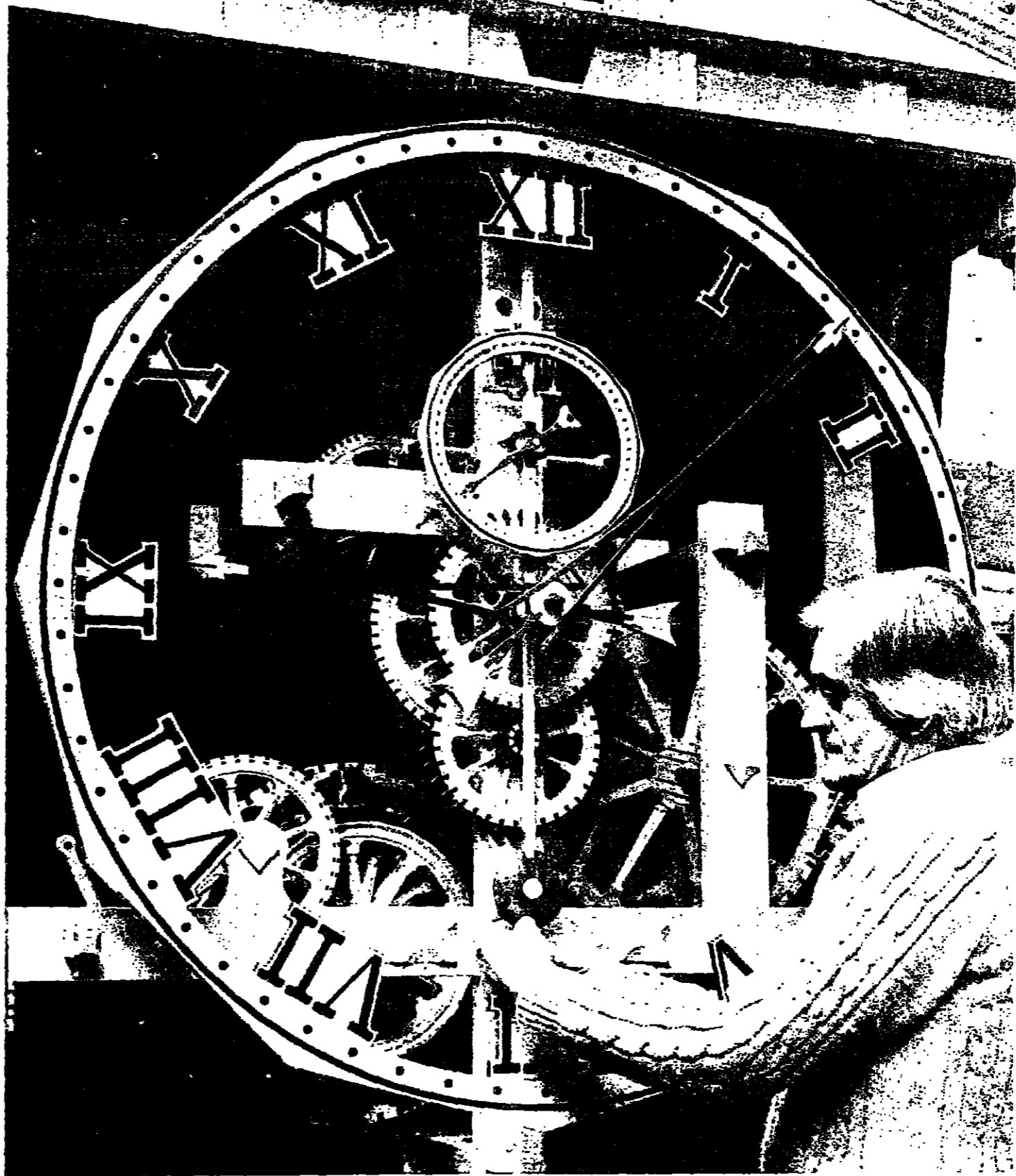
Former President Jimmy Carter related another intimidating Rickover interview in his biography about his 1976 election campaign. He described the admiral as shaming him by demanding "Why not the best?" When he learned the future president had finished 59th out of 820 candidates at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

Still Has Supporters

Although Admiral Rickover is known to have enemies at the Pentagon, for many years he has had the support of powerful congressional allies. But, in recent years, he has been invited to testify less often before congressional committees.

A staff member of the House of Representatives Armed Service Committee said certainly there is greater feeling in congress today that it is time for him to retire. Other congressional aides said the admiral's support on Capitol Hill remained strong.

For Admiral Rickover to win another two-year extension of his naval career he must first be approved by Navy Secretary John Lehnen. This could prove to be a problem, because at recent congressional testimony the admiral challenged that Lehnen became necessary simply because he was a member of a prominent political family.



ALL-WOOD CLOCK: The pendulum is adjusted on an eight-day timepiece by craftsman Ron Woodford. This clock has a Grecian facade and is made from more than 20 different types of hardwood.

## Claimed to be the first of their type Unique wood timepieces are created

LONDON — The creation of eight-day timepieces which are made entirely of wood may rate a place in the *Guinness Book of World Records*. The designer claims the timepiece is the first and only clock in the world which combines the highest standards of cabinet-making with precise horological design.

The clocks, produced by Ron Woodford of

Barres (Leicester) Limited, are claimed to be the first clocks produced entirely of wood and are extremely accurate. The design was researched and tested for more than six years and according to Woodford could each be classified as individual works of art. Each clock is made entirely of hardwoods, around 20 different types, and balanced to obtain optimum efficiency from a vast variety of

combinations of contacting moving parts.

The manufacturer produces clocks to buyer's specifications with dial size from three to 20 feet in diameter for a variety of types of installations. Full documentation, registration and guarantees are offered with each clock. The firm makes a total of eight clocks each year.

## 60,000 letters received each year

# Strange stories, facts are told with the return of bird's bands

By Hank Burchard

FLEXENT, Md. (WP) — George Jonkel, one of the strangest mail in the world, is it. He gets more than 60,000 letters a year, answers every one, and wishes were more. Jonkel's office at Patuxent Wildlife Research Center is the place people go when they find one of the more than a billion birds that are banded each year in the Northern Hemisphere and then fly off to feed and nest and die in the far corners of the earth.

Most of what is known about migratory birds comes from band returns, although only one or three percent of the bands are reported — most of them from the heaviest game birds. Some researchers tag thousands of more birds for every one that returns, which makes every scrap of information about when and where and what circumstances such a band is as precious as a pearl.

Bird Data Computerized  
The chief of the banding laboratory of the U.S. Fish Wildlife Service, and in cooperation with the Canadian Wildlife Service, is responsible for issuing all bands and lecting and verifying the returns. The center is fed into one of the most sophisticated computer systems in existence — data on every bird that has been banded over a 100 years can be retrieved, individually in various categories according to what information a scientist or game manager needs.

What comes out is only as good as what goes in, and Jonkel has developed a splendid system for getting it. "People do really strange things," he said. "They will take a band off a bird and put it on a different one. They like counterfeit bands. Somebody will find a band before it was mailed, sometimes even before it was mailed. Any band number that's missing in print is almost sure to be reported, sometimes by several people."

Truth is sometimes stranger than any fiction. Bands have been recovered from polar bears; from a gowfish that died on a seagull; from a gull that straggled a blowfish; and grown into the bottom of a catfish caught in Eufala, Alabama. It is a story that goes with almost every bird, and what keeps Jonkel looking for each day's mail.

"A lot of our bands are recovered by poor people who think they've found the brass ring," Jonkel said. "They have visions of big rewards, of coming to this country, a new life." He sighed. "For some it's the great hope of their lives, and we hate to have to just send them a form letter, especially when the postage for sending in the band might be a day or a week's pay, plus maybe they had to pay a scribe to write the letter. We do what we can, but we are understaffed and it's getting worse."

"It is very important that people understand that it's not our bird, and that there is no penalty attached to recovering a banded one, at least as far as we're concerned," said Jonkel. "Some returns plainly grow out of game-law violations, but we do not report them. Of course, our records are public information and therefore available to law-enforcement agencies on request."

The laboratory is perpetually awash in little tales about the deaths of birds. One of them was from Cartagena, Colombia, where a bird was banded on the beach after lunch when he came upon some boys who had wounded a banded gull. "I gave them some change and took it home. My daughter Katherine right away felt fondness for the bird and she decided take care of it, but upon down and with great sadness we found it dead."

Orriz and his daughter will at least have the comfort of knowing something about the bird: Each certificate of appreciation tells when, where and by whom the bird was banded and, if known its sex and its age at the time. The lives of most birds are brief, whether they are hunted or not, but occasionally comes a stunning record such as a Laysan albatross that was over 40 years old when last seen.

It's curiosity that the government counts on for most band returns. Earthbound man has always regarded birds as mysterious and magic, and having a banded one drop from the sky into one's hands is like finding a note in a bottle on the beach.

The message seems cryptic, but it works: advise bird band — write Wash. D.C. is the wording on most bands. English-speaking people are forever "correcting" the spelling, but in French, Spanish and Portuguese and many related dialects advise is recognized as "report," "tell," or "advise," with a connotation of "send."

By special dispensation of the Postal Service the laboratory is not required to include its zip code, thus reducing the probability of transcription errors. Most people do not send the aluminum band itself, which makes a nice keepsake, and some who do fail to flatten it out, which does terrible things to automatic postal equipment. Jonkel has nothing but praise for the Postal Service: "Letters are sent addressed only to 'advise' or 'bird,' or 'with just the band number, and they get almost every one of them to us."

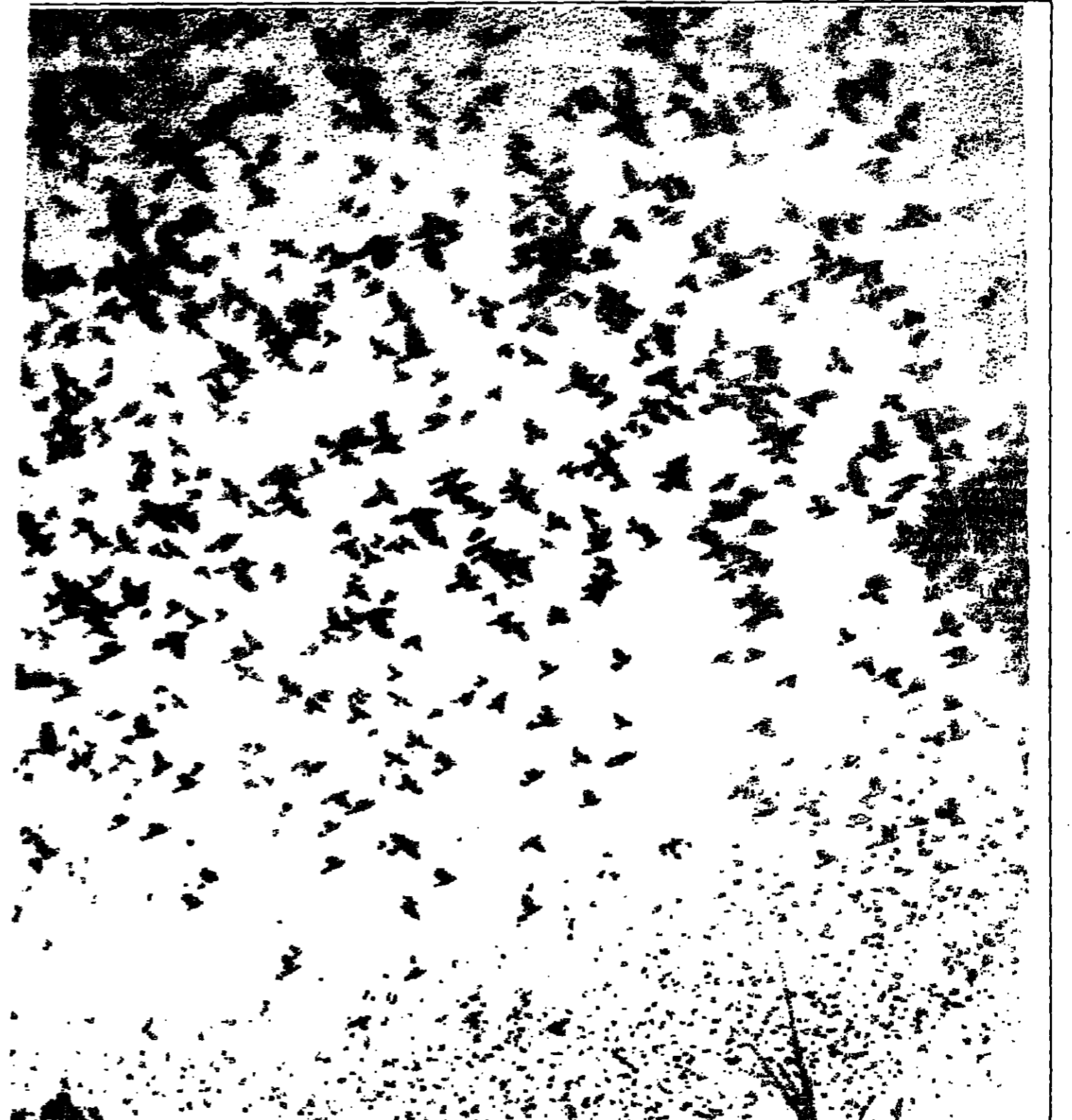
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People do not usually specify the circumstances of a recovery with sufficient precision to satisfy the requirements of science. The lab needs to know exactly when, where and how a band was found — the computer program includes, for instance, geographic coordinates as precise as those used in missile targeting. Each data bit must be as "clean" as possible, because the low rate of return endangers statistical validity. Most returns require at least one follow-up letter.

Another source of error is the banders themselves, each of whom must have demonstrated expertise as well as a legitimate research project.

"You get to know these people through their reports and their reputations among their peers, whether or not you've met them, and assignment of error usually isn't difficult to figure out," Jonkel said. "Some hardly ever make mistakes — others make the same one again and again. If it happens too often the license may be pulled. This work is too important to be trifled with."

One measure of its importance is that it was largely bird-population declines revealed by banding that led to the DDT ban. The laboratory's data have been consistently accepted as valid by courts considering environmental cases.

The records embrace 39 million bands that have gone flapping off into the void since 1908 and the 2 1/2 million that have been recovered. Until 1920 banding was a purely private effort in the Americas — since then the U.S. and Canada, and recently some Latin American nations, have regulated and coordinated all efforts. It's a terrible loss to science that data from the European "ringing" system, in which population samples are not controlled, are not fully compatible with the American one.



BIRD MIGRATION: The paths of birds are tracked from one part of the world to another by placing bird bands on them. When someone finds a banded bird they return the band with information about where it was found to the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. Shown here is the return of blackbirds to High Square, North Carolina. For the past four years these birds have returned here every winter.

# Zimbabwe recognizes DDT threat

By Stephen Taylor

SALISBURY (ONS) — The widespread use of DDT in Zimbabwe years after its banning by Western countries is worrying environmentalists, who claim it will wipe out many rare fish and birds. A campaign to abolish DDT is gathering momentum. Although the risk is accepted as a regrettable but necessary consequence of cheap pest control, that view unlikely to prevail: the levels of DDT found in the people of Zimbabwe are among the highest in the world.

About 1,000 tons of DDT will be used in the country this year — 300 tons to control maize and cotton pests and 700 tons in anti-malaria and tsetse fly operations. That is approaching the rate of peak usage in the United States in the 1950s before it was banned.

DDT acts as a nerve poison and causes hormonal imbalance. Due to the prominence of maize in the diet of most Zimbabweans and its use as feed for dairy cattle, the amount of DDT found in humans — both body tissue and mothers' milk — is up to twice as high as the level regarded by experts as relatively safe.

In a report to the government last year, a committee of the Natural Resources Board said that although the threat to man was negligible, some species of birds — such as the magnificent fish eagle — might be endangered.

The committee based its findings in part on a 1979 report by the World Health Organization. However, Ron Thomson, a senior official in the National Parks Department and a leading campaigner against DDT, says the highest level of contamination in an individual noted in the WHO report was 25mg/kg.

Levels in samples of human fat found in Zimbabwe reached 50mg/kg and in some exceptional cases were higher.

Another point made by the abolition lobby is that although DDT may not cause cancer or other obvious diseases, the WHO report did not consider the effects of the release of DDT from fat reserves into the bloodstream — which can happen at times of stress or loss of weight.

There is little doubt about the effect of the pesticide on birds, particularly birds of prey, and on fish. Thomson maintains that if it continues to be used at the present rate Lake Kariba on the Zambezi River will become "the dead lake of Africa."

"Gone will be the fish eagle, the tiger fish and a host of commercially important lake fish," he says.

Birds of prey, which pile up DDT levels by eating contaminated birds and fish, are the most at risk. As their own DDT accumulation rises, they lay thin-shelled and vulnerable eggs.

Thomson believes up to 20 species could become extinct within 15 years unless something is done. The campaign is meeting with some success and is believed to have the support of some cabinet ministers. It has led to an investigation by the Ministry of Health, which is due to submit a report soon.

Thomson says the use of DDT as a crop pesticide could be abolished immediately, although in controlling malaria a change would have to be made gradually.

In sixth Test

# Knott steers England to a draw

LONDON, Sept. 1 (AP) — Alan Knott hit a stubborn unbeaten 70 Tuesday to help England salvage a draw in the sixth and final cricket Test against Australia at the Oval.

Set a target of 383 to win when Australia declared at its overnight total of 344 for nine, England reached 260 for seven at the close, this was largely due to wicketkeeper Knott and half centuries from captain Mike Brearley and Mike Gatting.

England looked in trouble after being 144 for six at one stage. But the Aussies failed to separate Knott and John Emburey.

Earlier, Dennis Lillee had Geoff Boycott lbw with the day's fourth ball and with Chris Tavare caught at slip by Martin Kent off Mike Whitney. England were in trouble at 18 for two. Gatting's flow of seven boundaries and a ten-minute break for bad light halted Australia's victory bid.

Wayne Larkins batted through the morning, but was nowhere near his best form, making a scratchy 22. But the stand with Gatting was worth fifty, made in even time.

Larkins' unimpressive innings ended in the fourth over after lunch when he had added only two and England were 88-3. Lillee moved one away off the pitch and Larkins, on the back foot, edged off the shoulder of the bat to second slip, where Alderman took his eighth catch of the series.

Paul Parker was very close to recording a 'pair' in his first Test. He inside-edged Lillee past his off stump to the fine-leg Boundary and the bowler almost leapt with frustration.

Gatting surged to a magnificent half-century in only 75 minutes when he cut Bright for three but Lillee deepened England's problems with another virtually unplayable



Alan Knott

ball that disposed of the Middlesex man. Fitched around off stump it bounced and left Gatting, who edged a sharp catch to first slip. Kent pocketed the ball easily and England were 101 for four, with three and a half hours left and some very erratic batting to come.

Parker was again in trouble from a superb Lillee delivery but Ray Bright failed to bring off the low catch at third slip. The Rhodesian-born player did not make the most of his chance for shortly afterwards he gave Martin Kent his third catch.

The possibility of an Australian victory was distinctly looming up. Mike Brearley, on 16,

was next partnered by England's last hope, Ian Botham, who came in to a tremendous ovation.

Botham banged his first shot and his immense power gave him three runs past gully. He followed this with a most extraordinary piece of cricket. He slogged Bright high in the air behind mid-off, where Whitney revolved under the ball before failing to touch it.

Botham then straight drove Alderman for four, but swinging wildly across the line next ball, was lbw to leave England 144 for six. The wicket gave Alderman a total of 42 in the series, beating Rodney Hogg's Australian record for an "ashes" series, set in 1978-79.

## Malaysia impresses

AMSTELVEEN, Netherlands, Sept. 1 (AFP) — Malaysia scored an impressive 3-1 win over the mighty Netherlands in a men's field Hockey International here Monday night.

Poon Fook Loke gave them a 1-0 half-time lead and Tam Chiew Seng increased the lead after the interval. Martin Bennie pulled one back for the Dutch but Avtar Singh struck late to give the Malaysians a noteworthy victory.

In Tenri, Japan, India beat South Korea 12-0 Tuesday in the women's field Hockey Friendship match. India, who won the Asian women's field Hockey Championship in Kyoto near Tenri last week, led 5-0 at half-time.

Meanwhile, the Tenri University team beat Malaysia 2-1 after the two teams tied 1-1 at halftime.

## Graeme Crosby steals the show

OULTON PARK, Cheshire, Sept. 1 (AFP) — New Zealand star Graeme Crosby raced away with the honors at the Oulton Park Bank Holiday Motor Cycling International when he won both the 500 and Formula One events on a Suzuki.

The 22-year-old Crosby, recent winner for the second year in succession of the Formula One World Championship got the better of Britain's Ron Haslam, his main rival in the Formula One event, who finished third.

Earlier, Crosby had his seventh successive 500 victory in the championship. Haslam won the "street bike" event and also the second leg of the "Super-Bike" championship.

This leg was marred by an accident in which Britain's Dave Potter who crashed while in the lead on the second leg after winning the first.

Scotland's former world champion, Jock Taylor, partnered by Swede, Bengt Johansson, won the British Championship round and increased their lead by 10 points.

## Thoms bags fourth title

BRNO, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 1 (R) — East German Lothar Thoms collected his fourth successive time trial title at the World Cycling Championships here Monday night.

The Olympic champion again showed his supremacy in the two and a half lap race against the clock with a winning time of one minute 5.85 seconds.

Thoms' was the last of the field of 27 to tackle the steeply-banked 400 meters track but moments after he started it "was obvious he was looking for another triumph."

Head tucked well down to reduce wind resistance, Thoms powered home almost a fifth of a second ahead of early pacesetter Fredy Schmidtke of West Germany.

Schmidtke clocked 1:06.02 and took the silver medal, while Olympic sprint medallist Sergei Kopylov of the Soviet Union beat Thoms' compatriot, Maic Malcow to the bronze by just one hundredth of a second.

Japanese cyclists Toshimasa Yamazaki and Harimitsu Okada were eliminated in the heats of the Amateur Individual pursuit event.

1,000m time-trial result: 1. Lothar Thoms (E. Germany) 1:05.85; 2. Fredy Schmidtke (W. Germany) 1:06.02; 3. Sergei Kopylov (USSR) 1:06.56; 4. Maic Malcow (E. Germany) 1:06.57; 5. Ken Tucker (Australia) 1:07.09; 6. Yave Cabard (France) 1:07.52; 7. Rolf Morgan Hansen (Norway) 1:08.52; 9. Emery Brent (USA) 1:08.74; 10. Octavio Dazzan (Italy) 1:08.82; 11. Terence Pinsley (Britain) 1:09.10; 12. Rainer Valkenburg (Netherlands) 1:09.13; 13. Istvan Zaka (Hungary) 1:09.19; 14. Anthony Coff (N. Zealand) 1:09.69; 15. Vesselin Toxnev (Bulgaria) 1:09.69; 16. Richard Konkolewski (Poland) 1:09.73; 17. Kim Young Soo (S. Korea) 1:09.88; 18. Kazuo Yamamoto (Japan) 1:09.91; 19. Diederik Faubert (Belgium) 1:10.35; 20. Rolf Senti (Switzerland) 1:10.38; 21. Dominguez Efrain (Poland) 1:10.81; 22. Hans Fischer (Brazil) 1:11.30; 23. Timo Sandelin (Finland) 1:11.72; 24. Xiaoguan Bai (China) 1:13.96; 25. Rodolfo Plaza (Philippines) 1:16.37.



STRONG ARMS: Malaysia's P. Mariappan is a picture of concentration as he lifts the weights during the International Stoke Mandeville Games for the paralyzed at Aylesbury, central England. Prior to the start of the Games the newly completed SMG Olympic village providing accommodation for over 424 competitors was opened.

## South Carolina grants Ali license

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (AP) — Muhammad Ali, the 39-year-old former heavyweight champion, will hold a news conference Tuesday to announce plans for his first fight since Larry Holmes battered him 11 months ago, a spokesman for a Bahamas-based group that will promote the fight said Monday night.

Ali, the only man to win the heavyweight championship three times, will appear at the conference in a New York hotel along with the still unnamed opponent, said Paul Dotseth, a spokesman for the promoters. Dotseth did not say when the fight would be scheduled, but said "it was a sharp assumption" that it would be held in the Bahamas.

Ali, who was granted a license to box in South Carolina two weeks ago, has not fought since Holmes stopped him in the eleventh round in their World Boxing Council title bout.

Ali has won 56 bouts in his 20 year professional boxing career, losing three times by decision and once by knockout.

Meanwhile, light welterweight boxer Thomas Americo champion of Indonesia defeated by World Boxing Council (WBC) champion Saoul Mambiy in a title fight here this weekend, said he wanted a rematch with the champion, Jakarta newspaper Kompas reported.

Americo was quoted by the paper as saying that he would like to have another 15-round bout with Mambiy.

In Seoul World Boxing Council (WBC) flyweight champion Antonio Avelar said that he wants to fight South Korean Park Chan-Hee for his second title defense as revenge for other Mexican boxer beaten by the Korean.

Avelar made the remarks to the Korean press a day after he successfully defended his title by easily disposing of South Korean challenger Kim Tae-shik with a spectacular second-round knockout.

The Mexican champ picked Park for his second title defense, because it was Park who originally took the world title by beating Mexico's Miguel Canto in March 1979 and later knocked out another Mexican, Guty Espadas in a title defense.

Meanwhile, South Korean Bae Suk-Chul predicted that he will knock out Gustavo Balas of Argentina within seven rounds at the September 12 bout in Buenos Aires for the newly-created World Boxing Association (WBA) junior bantamweight title.

"I am in perfect condition now, having no problem on weight", Bae told the press on the eve of his departure for Buenos Aires.

Bae said an early knockout victory was the only way of winning the title since the bout was being held away from home. He said he had gone through 110 rounds of hard sparring to prepare for the fight.

It is the 21-year-old Korean's first crack at a world title since turning pro in October 1978. He has a record of 14 wins, seven of them by knockouts against one draw and one defeat.

On the other hand, the Argentinian has a formidable unbeaten record of 44 wins including 18 k.o. victories and one draw in his six years pro career.

## TCU out to prove mettle

By a Staff Writer  
Houston Bureau

FORT WORTH, Sept. 1 — Texas Christian University (TCU) will have their work cut out for them this season. Their goal is to improve on last year's dismal season which produced only a single win — a 24-17 victory over Texas Tech.

TCU needs a running game this year and a tougher defense if they are to make any head way. With some help from the junior colleges, the TCU Horned Frogs have some extra help in those two departments this season. One thing the team will stick with from last year is its throwing game which was their only strength.

The junior college transfer students the team has picked, will give the Horned Frogs the depth they need. It also gives them some strong starters.

TCU says without doubt their running game will be greatly improved. The offensive line has been working hard under new offensive line coach Mike Westhoff and the team is well stocked with receivers.

Add to that the fact that the players themselves are pleased with the quarterback and you have an optimistic view toward this year's season for TCU. It's been ages since TCU has gone into fall practice knowing who the quarterback will be. This year, they will be led by Steve Stamp, who took over the starting job last year after the fifth game and quickly established himself.

The third international FINA Age Group Diving Championship were held at the Woodlands Athletic Center in Houston, Texas with divers from 15 nations competing in the event. Participants ranged in age from 10 through 17 years of age.

The winner of the boys three meter diving was Edwin Jongejans of the Netherlands with

a score of 401.940. Second and third place winners were Vladimir Semenko of Russia, and Todd Watkins of the United States.

In the girls (15-17) one meter event, Kim Fugett of the United States placed first with a score of 411.840. Elena Korolokova of the Soviet Union placed second and another American, Wendy Wyland, placed third.

Bruce Kimball of the U.S. scored a 605.850 for first place honors in the boys (15-17) three meter-split 5 and 6 event. Nikolay Drozhzhin of the Soviet Union, with a score of 540.630, took second place and Sergei Efrimof, also of the Soviet Union, placed third.

Two Russians and one American took the top three spots in the girls (13-14) tower competition. Alla Lobankina and Anjela Stasulevich of the USSR placed first and second respectively and Alison Frisch of the U.S. placed third.

In the girls (12 and under) three-meter event, Kelly Jenkins scored 243.180 to capture first place for the Americans, with Olga Mironova of Russia in second and Jennifer McArton of Canada in third place.

Mark Rourke of Canada scored a 236.160 for a first place finish in the boys (12 and under) one meter competition. Close behind were Jesus Mena of Mexico, in second place, and Dennis Sorenson of Denmark in third.

A score of 447.420 by American Kim Fugett topped other divers for first place in the girls (15-17) three meter competition. Daphne Jongejans of the Netherlands finished second and Jenny Dobner of Australia finished third.

Another first place victory was captured for the United States by Bruce Kimball in the boys (15-17) one meter event. Teammate Dan Watson finished behind him in second and Ricardo Baneulos of Mexico captured third.

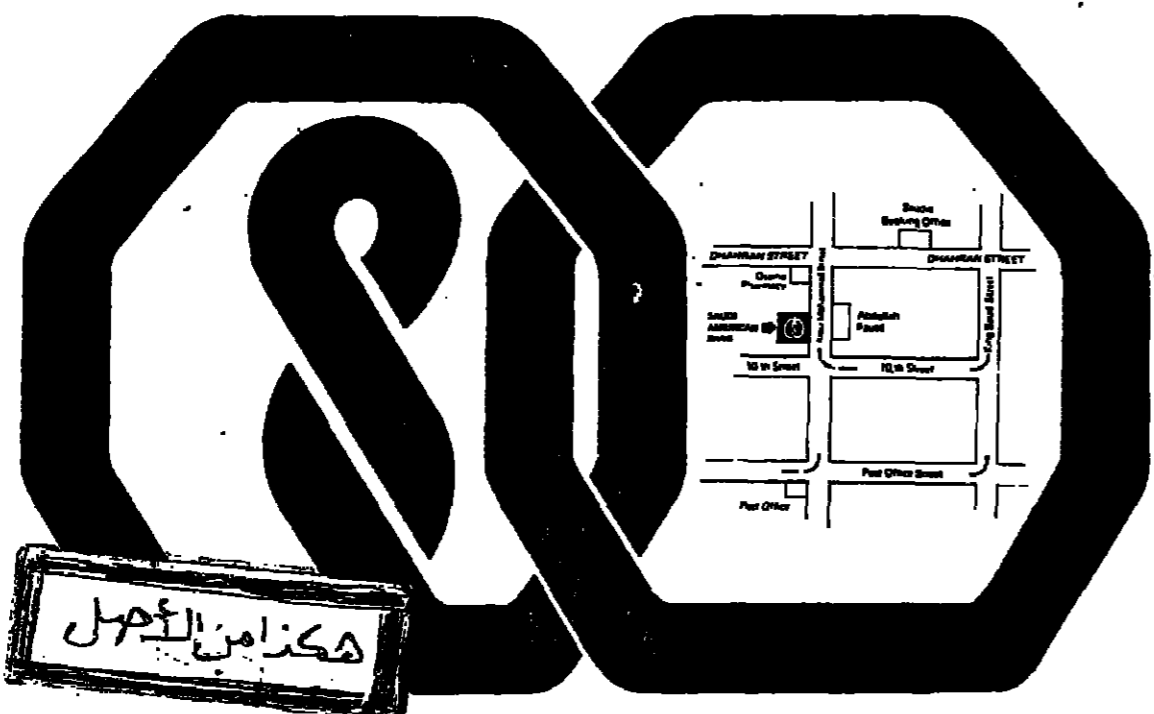
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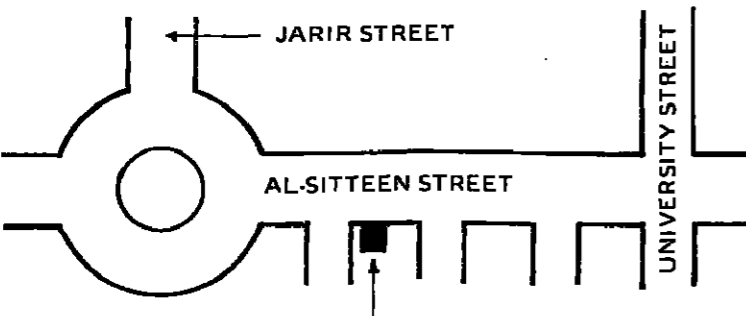
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N. conference opens

Mitterrand urges deal to poor

PARIS, Sept. 1 (AFP) — French President Francois Mitterrand opened a United Nations conference on the least developed countries here Tuesday with a call for aid not merely at ensuring the survival but the development of the world's poorest nations.



Francois Mitterrand

going from setback to slight improvement before coming down with a new ailment. "On the other hand, the poor must, each day, tame their distress and wrench from the earth enough merely to start all over again tomorrow."

He expressed the hope that the conference would signal "the beginning of true hope." At least five heads of state, including those from Nepal, Rwanda, Kenya and Cape Verde, were among the some 2,000 people from most countries of the world attending the meeting. The conference is intended to decide and adopt a program of action for the LDCs for the next 10 years, with money the main issue.

limiting himself to the agenda of the conference, Mitterrand evoked the North-South dialogue and proposed "concrete" to the least favored nations in dealing with the "acute problems" the encountered in covering energy costs.

He stressed the need for "more stability more continuity" in poorer countries, saying: "To be able to anticipate income is sine qua non of development." But in order to promote a better life, he cautioned, it should be accompanied by an attempt to give the identity of peoples and to promote communication.

Solidarity for development with the rest of the Third World is, to me, both the common future and a necessity for helping the Third World amounts to help themselves emerge from the crisis," he said. At this end, he said, France intended to give "a non-negligible share of the total of aid to the least developed countries." The war against poverty is bogged down in trenches," he said. "One of the main riches are managing their crisis with the heartedness of eternal convalescents."

U.S. to slash defense budget

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Portugal faces bleak outlook

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Economic growth will be affected by the expected decline in private and public investment (the loss of momentum in private consumption and the slowdown in world demand, the OECD said in its annual survey of the Portuguese economy.

The report, scheduled for release Tuesday, urges Portuguese authorities to give priority to stabilizing and reducing the current account deficit. The deficit is forecast to rise to \$1.6 billion this year from \$1 billion in 1980 and then narrow slightly to \$1.4 billion in 1982, equivalent to 5.2 percent of gross domestic product (GDP).

Inflation in Portugal next year was forecast to remain at the 1981 high of 18.5 percent, compared with 16.6 percent in 1980. The OECD survey predicts next year's private consumption will grow 2 percent, down from 3 percent in 1981 and 4.5 percent in 1980. At the same time, the growth of cross fixed investment is expected to fall to 4 percent next year from 7 percent in 1981 and 9 percent in 1980.

The French president asked the distinguished assembly: "How we build for all an international economic order both equitable and efficient, which makes development a top-ranking priority for all?"

Growth, he stressed, was a necessary condition to conquer unemployment and poverty, and it depended on "joint prosperity."

Referring to the October summit scheduled in Cancun, Mexico, Mitterrand said he hoped talks would promote a commitment toward global negotiations leading to concrete action, "a spirit of shared responsibility," he said, "should replace mistrust and indifference" in the north-south relations.

French Cooperation and Development Minister Jean-Pierre Cot, who will chair the conference, said in an interview with the daily Le Monde Tuesday that its success depends on whether it can take concrete decisions which will be carried out in practice.

U.N. officials, meanwhile, noted that the urgent action program for the LDCs in 1980 and 1981, approved by an UNCTAD conference in June 1979, has not been carried out. The program has faced political opposition from some countries such as the United States while others, including Britain and West Germany, have not implemented it due to budget problems.

The 31 countries designated as LDCs by the United Nations have less than an annual \$200 income per head and little industry. Only one in five of their 280 million inhabitants can read and write and their life expectancy is 45 years compared with 70 in Europe.

Swiss bank hikes discount rate 1%

ZURICH, Sept. 1 (AP) — The Swiss National Bank in a spectacular bid to rein in soaring inflation, announced Tuesday it is raising its discount rate by one percent to an all-time high of six percent, effective Wednesday.

The National Bank, in brief statement, said the dollar's strength against the Swiss franc, which has made imports more expensive, was responsible for increases in living costs.

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U.S. warns alien firms against unfair trade tactics

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (R) — The United States has told its trading partners it would continue to enforce U.S. laws vigorously against foreign firms whenever their business practices had an unfair, adverse impact on American companies.

U.S. Attorney General William French Smith said Monday the Reagan administration was willing to make accommodations to avoid conflict with foreign nations concerned about the application of U.S. antitrust (anti-monopoly) laws.

But in a speech to a group of international lawyers at the United Nations, Smith said it was unrealistic to expect 100 percent of the accommodation to come from the United States. A number of U.S. companies have filed damage suits against foreign firms, contending that less-restrictive foreign laws which govern the overseas companies have hurt the ability of the American firms to compete in the United States.

The justice department has aided American companies in such suits. U.S. officials said the specific issue that had caused concern among America's trading partners was whether the United States should prosecute foreigners for acts committed outside the U.S. that were often considered legitimate in the countries where they occurred.

They said that foreign courts did not recognize the jurisdiction of American courts that issued judgments on transactions outside the United States.

Trudeau bid to end oil row

OTTAWA, Sept. 1 (R) — Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and the premier of oil-rich Alberta province began talks in Ottawa Tuesday amid speculation that an agreement may be near in a bitter dispute over the price of Canada's government subsidized crude oil.

The meeting between Trudeau and Alberta Premier Peter Lougheed was announced Monday night after six days of talks between their energy ministers on future oil pricing and sharing of oil revenue — one of Canada's most pressing issues.

The talks between the energy ministers in Montreal, the first such session this year, lasted much longer than planned.

Federal Energy Minister Marc Lalonde briefed Trudeau on the talks Monday night, and the premier postponed an important cabinet committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday to meet Lougheed. At stake is an agreement on how fast Canada's crude oil, whose cost to local refiners is kept low by government subsidies, should rise toward world prices. It now costs Canadian \$ 18.75

per barrel, less than half world levels.

In a national energy program last October, Ottawa scheduled rises of \$2 a year for the next few years. But Alberta, which produces 90 percent of Canada's oil, wanted much bigger price rises. It also objected to some energy taxation proposals and Ottawa's plan to grab a bigger slice of revenue under a new formula for sharing between both governments and the industry.

In protest against federal policies, Alberta cut back production by 120,000 barrels a day in two slices this year. A third cut of 60,000 barrels a day is due Tuesday, taking total reductions of output to 180,000 barrels a day, representing about 15 percent of its daily output and 10 percent of the country's needs. The two governments are under pressure to reach an agreement to end uncertainty, ease forward planning and improve Canada's political climate, which has blurred for the past year by this and other federal-provincial disputes.

Sofia to hold global road talks in '82

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (AP) — The International Road Federation (IRF) will hold an inter-European regional conference in Sofia, Bulgaria in 1982 and the fifth IRF African highway conference in Libreville, Gabon in 1983. The tenth IRF world meeting will be held in Brazil in late 1984 or early 1985.

The announcement of the future meetings was made Monday by W. Gerald Wilson, president of the IRF in Washington.

The IRF inter-European regional conference will be held in Sofia May 10-14, 1982. It will be co-sponsored by the Bulgarian Association of International Road and Transport and will have the theme "roads or economic and technical progress."

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Foreign Exchange Rates

Table with columns: Country, SAMA, Cash, Transfer. Includes rates for Bahraini Dinar, Bangladeshi Taka, Belgian Franc, Canadian Dollar, etc.

Dollar rebounds on marts

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Sept. 1 — The dollar bounced back on the New York exchange markets Monday and remained fairly strong when the European markets opened Tuesday. Despite a cut of one-half percent in U.S. prime lending rates by a top bank like the Chase Manhattan, market feeling right now is that U.S. interest rates will remain high for some time to come.

The Federal Reserve chairman Paul Volcker seemed to add to this line of thinking when he announced over the weekend that U.S. dollar interest rates will remain high as long as inflation and inflationary expectations were not dampened. At the other extreme, the German Bundesbank — central bank — governor was quoted as saying that present mark/dollar exchange rates were "unrealistic" and that the dollar will come down soon. For the time being the markets seem to be inclined toward the dollar remaining high on the exchange markets for some time to come.

Locally, Tuesday saw a surge, albeit a small one, in riyal deposit rates. These had been consistently easing, especially in the short dates, over the past few days. Tuesday's dollar performance in Europe pushed up local rates both on the deposit and exchange markets with Kingdom-based dealers reporting some lively trading. On the deposit front, riyal JIBOR bid-offers opened at 15 1/2 — 16 percent, buy very quickly were bid upwards to levels of 16 1/2

— 17 1/4 percent. Despite a slight drop by late afternoon of around 1/8 percent, short-term riyal deposits remained firm, taking for example week-fixed rates to 16 — 17 percent compared with 15 1/2 — 16 percent Monday. Once again, long-term riyal rates were firmer with the one-year level opening at 16 1/4 — 16 3/4 percent, but closing at 16 3/4 — 17 1/4 percent. Some institutions were moving cautiously into the medium to long-term riyal deposits on the belief that riyal rates would remain high for some time to come.

On the local exchange markets, the spot riyal/dollar rate had a livelier day on Tuesday, opening at 3.4198-08, but gradually rising to 3.4220-30 by late afternoon. Dealing was reported brisk out of Bahrain with some moderate demand for the dollar. The local rises reflected the dollar's European fortunes Tuesday, as dealers found that the American currency was more than holding its ground against the major European currencies.

Against the yen, the dollar gained more than 200 points to be quoted at levels of 230.80 compared to 228.50 Monday. The Swiss franc closed in New York at a much weaker rate of 2.1509 compared to 2.10 levels Monday. The French franc lost some 600 points to be traded at 5.8810 in Paris Tuesday, while the equally volatile British pound fluctuated at 1.8350 — 1.8380 levels. As for the German mark, that currency was quoted at 2.4560 levels compared to 2.4220 a day earlier.

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French firm gets \$14m Iraqi orders

PARIS, Sept. 1 (AFP) — CII Honeywell Bull announced two contracts from Iraq worth a total of 80 million francs (\$14 million) for informatics systems.

One contract covers a high power computer, 41 satellite computers and 187 terminal units to manage and process imports of vehicle spares.

The other is for the Rafidain Bank, Iraq's sole merchant bank. This system provides links between headquarters and branches.

French N-power use hits 37% mark

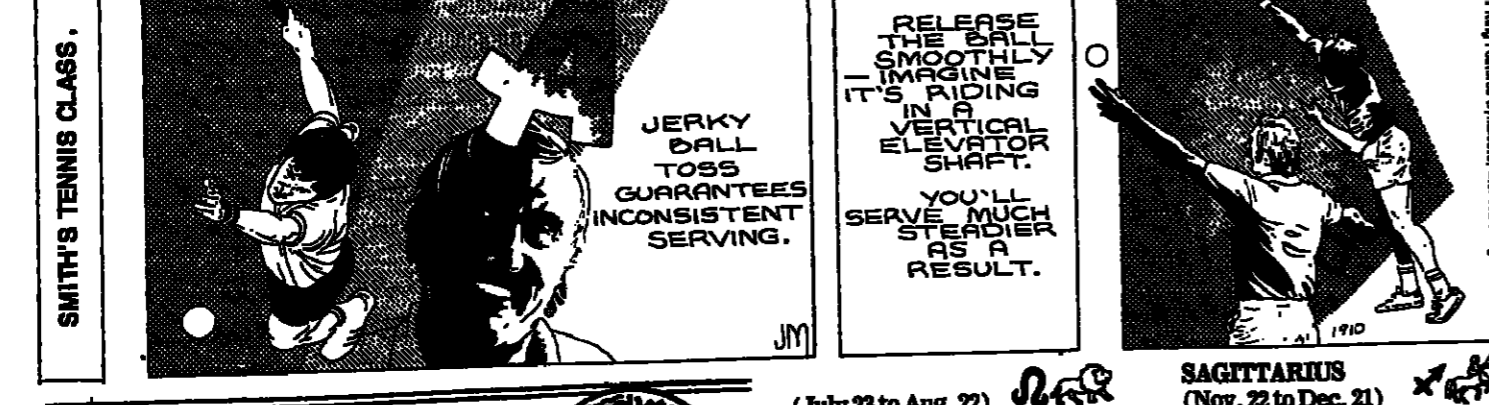
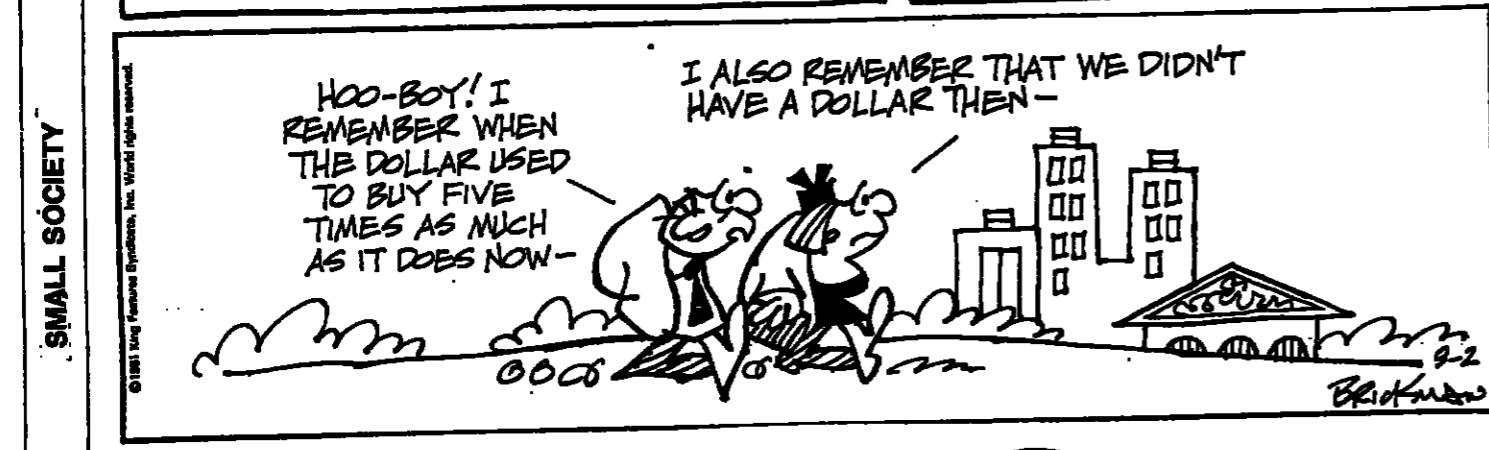
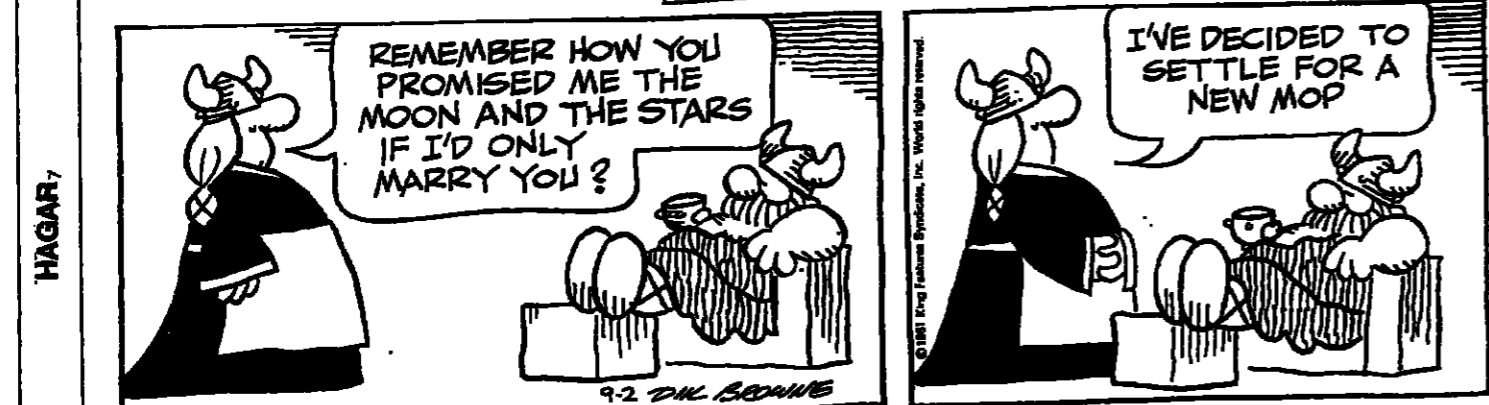
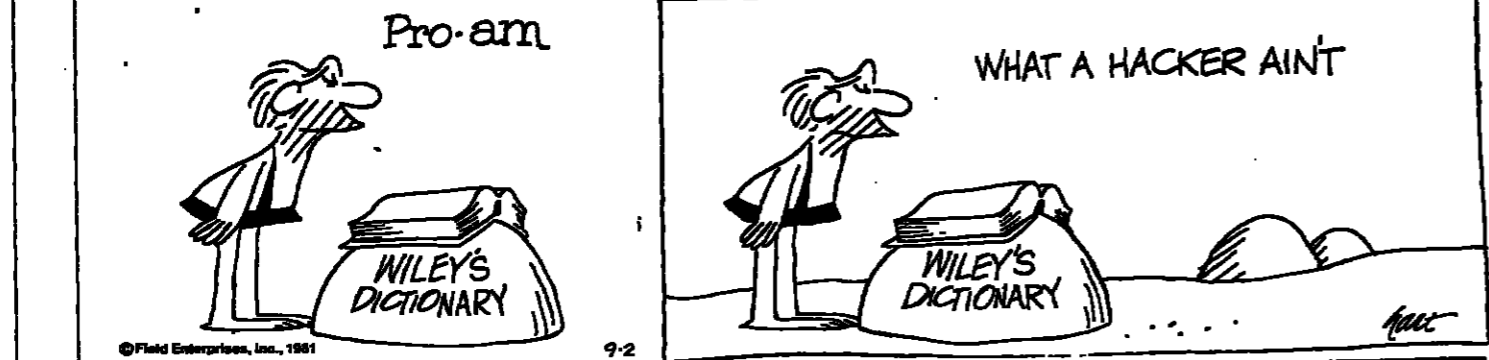
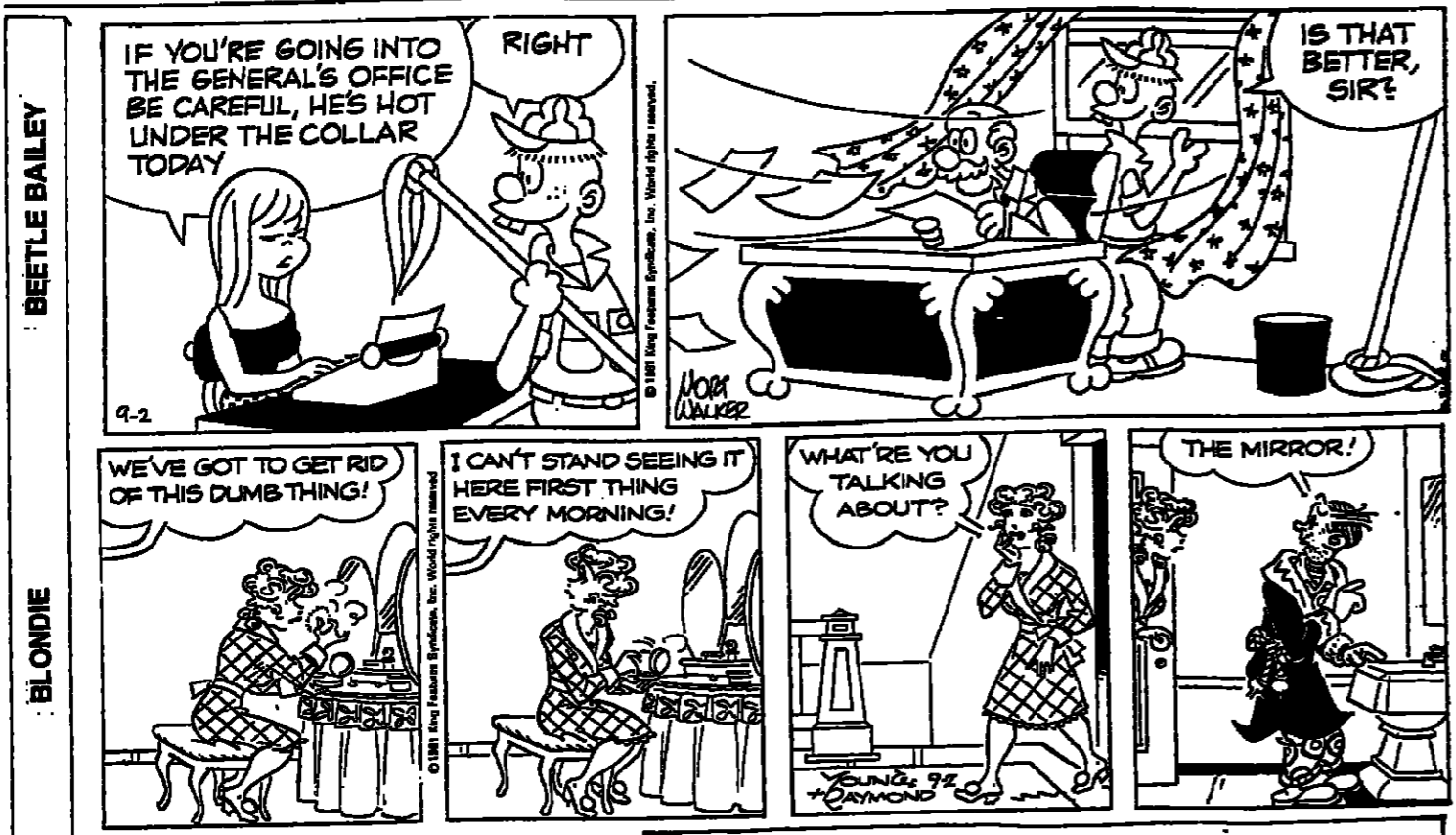
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That figure was 13 percent higher than last year when nuclear power supplied 24 percent of the nation's electricity needs, it said, and more than twice the 1979 output when nuclear power accounted for 16 percent of electricity production.

As of Aug. 1 of this year, 20,700 megawatt (Mw) of nuclear power were linked to the national grid, and 8,000 Mw on Jan. 1, 1980, it said.

London Commodities Closing Prices

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by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 38 Disagreeable  
1 Fish 39 Status quo  
5 Jewish  
philosopher  
10 - Napoleon 1 Teddy  
11 Withdraw formally dog  
12 Capp or Williams 2 Esteem  
13 Tranquil 4 Address, 11 Bogart  
14 Flat (mus.) 5 Susan - 18 Miss of  
15 Holbrook 6 Social capital 20 Turn aside  
16 Japanese beauty 6 Fiddler 18 Queen -  
17 Antedate crab 21 Barber  
18 Dresser 7 Master 22 Famous  
19 film role 8 Working with mss. 23 Famous  
20 Unspeakeable 9 Household 24 Samir  
21 Mailed post Indian

Yesterday's Answer  
25 Suffix with two or four  
26 Army medic  
27 Famous  
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29 Turn aside  
30 Shade  
31 Destiny  
32 Health resort

**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE** - Here's how to work it  
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THINK OF YOUR POSTERITY! - JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

**Contract Bridge** B. Jay Becker  
A Battle for Trump Control

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ J 9 8  
♥ K 5  
♦ K 5 3 2  
♣ K Q 10 5

**WEST**  
♠ Q 10 8 4 2  
♥ 9 7 4 3  
♦ A 6  
♣ 8 3

**EAST**  
♠ A K 7 5  
♥ 8 6  
♦ 9 8 4  
♣ 9 7 4 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ 3  
♥ A Q J 10 2  
♦ Q J 10 7  
♣ A J 6

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass  
2♦ Pass 3♦ Pass  
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass

Opening lead - four of spades.

One very frequent form of defense against a suit contract is to ruff declarer down in a suit where he is short. The purpose is to exhaust his trumps, so that the defenders can later cash the cards they have left in their long suit.

The declarer, of course, does all he can to resist this trump-shortening process. When he is blessed with nine or more trumps in the combin-

ed hands, he can usually withstand the onslaught. When he has eight trumps, declarer's position may be tenuous, but when his combined total is only seven trumps, the situation may be downright precarious. Why a side seldom chooses suit with only seven trumps, especially when they are divided 4-3 or 5-2.

Observe declarer's pre-emptive spade lead and continued South ruffing to condone. If he now draws adverse trumps, he is down. He makes only tricks - five trumps in clubs. With all the trumps gone, the defenders score a diamond and spade tricks. This result is surprising, since declarer starts with only a 36 percent chance of finding the 10 divided 3-3.

South can protect a the more likely 4-2 trumps distribution (48 percent) by playing this manner: After ruffing spade at trick two, he the jack of diamonds, wins, he draws trump scampers home with tricks.

If the jack of diamonds to the ace and a spade back, South discards a ruff in diamond in trump to against a 4-2 trump distribution. The defenders are then since a spade continues to be ruffed in dummy with shortening declarer's trumps.

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**Your Individual Horoscope**  
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**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Joint affairs are favored, but watch disputes with children. Avoid speculative moves in money and love. Curb impatience.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) Business conferences go well. Work progress is indicated, but domestic

tension may prevail around dinnertime. Maintain harmony.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A dictatorial attitude causes friction with co-workers. Family outings bring joy. Domestic entertainments are also favored.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You'll revise some domestic plans now. Family talks go well. Avoid excessive expenditure in the pursuit of pleasure. Accent moderation.

**LEO**

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Friends are helpful to your career. You may run into an old acquaintance. Mind your own business in matters that don't concern you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) You'll get good advice about a career matter. Business trips are profitable. Avoid arguments with friends about investments.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Consult with advisers about career matters. Some unexpected travel is indicated. A friend may be argumentative around nightfall.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) Get proper legal advice about business matters. Co-workers may be touchy and need tactful handling. Partners are supportive.

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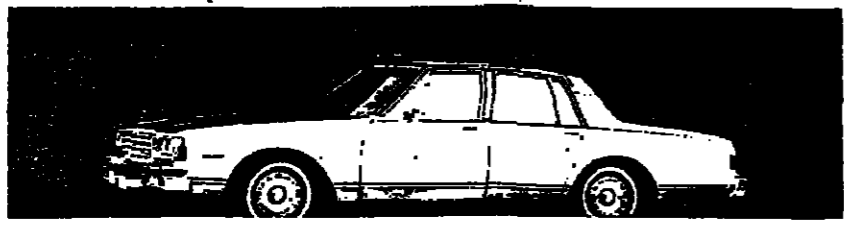
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## Britain abstains

# America casts veto on Angola resolution

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 1 (AP) — The United States cast alone veto in the U.N. Security Council Monday night to kill a Third World resolution that would have strongly condemned South Africa's invasion of Angola.

Of the other four big powers holding the veto, Britain abstained and France, China and the Soviet Union voted for the resolution along with Ireland, Japan, Spain, East Germany and the Third World sponsors of the proposal — Niger, Tunisia, Uganda, Mexico, Panama and the Philippines.

U.S. Ambassador Charles Lichenstein, explaining his vote afterward, said the United States could not support a resolution that places "blame solely on South Africa for the escalation of violence."

He said a large Cuban presence in Angola,

Soviet advisers in the area and the provision of Soviet arms to guerrillas of the Southwest Africa People's Organization "fuel the explosive atmosphere of confrontation and violence which daily plagues the people of Angola, Namibia and indeed the entire region."

SWAPO's guerrillas, with bases in Angola, are fighting to oust South Africa from the neighboring disputed territory of Namibia, also called Southwest Africa. South Africa invaded Angola last Monday for the stated purpose of hitting those bases.

Soviet Ambassador Richard Ovinnikov, also speaking after the vote, accused the Reagan administration of following a "new strategy of pandering to the regime of apartheid" — South African race segregation — and of "turning back the history of decolonization in the region." He also charged that the United States was intent on destabilizing the Marxist government of Angola.

Sir Anthony Parsons of Britain, after abstaining, said his delegation could support only parts of the resolution. Obviously displeased at its references to "the racist regime of South Africa," he objected to "highly colored rhetoric" and declared: "If you wish to convince someone by argument, you do not abuse him. Nor, must I say on the other side, do you launch attacks against him."

Parsons said the "only hope for progress" toward achieving Namibian independence lay in efforts of the Western contact group — Britain, France, West Germany, Canada and the United States — to put into effect a plan with that object that they devised and that the U.N. Security Council, in 1978, approved. "My delegation," he said, "is resolved to take no step that will hinder this process."

Ugandan Ambassador Otiara Otunnu alluded to the time last spring when Britain and France joined the United States in vetoing sanctions against South Africa aimed to force it out of Namibia. "On April 30, we witnessed a triple veto," he said. "Today we witnessed a single veto. There has been some progress."

He told the U.S. delegation, "it's never too late to join in the global consensus in favor of the forces of freedom and dignity." Angolan Ambassador Elisio de Figueiredo, who had asked for the debate, called the U.S. veto "nothing short of support of South African racism." He said the council's failure to act left Angola "with no other option except to invoke Article 5" of the U.N. Charter.

That article says that a U.N. member subjected to armed attack has the right of "individual or collective self-defense" until the Security Council itself can take measures to restore peace. A reporter inquired of Figueiredo after the meeting whether Angola would ask for outside help. He replied: "That will have to be decided by my government."

Panamanian Foreign Minister Jorge Enrique Illueca, as president of the council for August, conducted the debate and took the vote. Speaking before the vote, he said South Africa was morally, socially and politically a sick society and those who tried to purify its behavior were subject to contamination.

The vetoed resolution would have had the council strongly condemn the "unprovoked" invasion. South Africa's utilization of Namibia as a "springboard for armed invasions and destabilization" of Angola and the use of mercenaries against Angola.

It would have called on all U.N. members to give Angola material aid and on all countries to carry out fully the council's 1977 arms embargo against South Africa. The resolution would also have called for South Africa to pay damages to Angola and created an investigating commission of five council members to evaluate on the spot "the critical situation" resulting from the invasion and report back by Sept. 30.

## On 20th anniversary

# End to nonaligned disunity urged

DAR ES SALAAM, Sept. 1 (AFP) — President Julius Nyerere of Tanzania Tuesday called for action to end disunity and discord between members of nonaligned movement and the continued poverty they suffered. In a message on the 20th anniversary of the movement, Nyerere said when disputes arise the non-aligned nations must try to get help from each other and offer help to each other or from other small neutral states.

The president also urged economic cooperation to strengthen their economies and thus their independence as separate nations. As Third World nations, the non-aligned must also increase their capacity to work in unity for a new international economic order, he said.

Nyerere said the nonaligned must be concerned about the vertical and horizontal proliferation of nuclear weapons. "Radiation knows no boundaries, and Neutron bombs (together with other so-called tactical nuclear weapons) increase the likelihood of what the big powers call limited war but which is in reality death for millions or people to hopes of national progress," he added.

Nyerere, chairman of the anti-apartheid

"frontline states," called on the nonaligned movement to speak out more clearly on the continued South African occupation of Namibia and its constant attacks against Angola and other neighboring countries. He said the nonaligned movement must continue to oppose Israel's occupation of Arab lands and to insist on the right of the Palestinian people to their own state.

In New Delhi, Indian Foreign Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao Tuesday called on nonaligned nations to resist attempts to divide their 96-member grouping. Rao said at a meeting that the success of the organization, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary, had led to efforts to split it and water down its achievements. He said economic self-reliance and political cohesion alone would enable the movement to achieve its goal.

"The odds may be heavy and the pressures against the non-aligned movement may continue but if we act together, we will succeed," Rao said. There are differences within the movement over its general political orientation, with some members, including Cuba, the present chairman, favoring a more pro-Soviet line.

# NATO war games begin today; Soviets to follow

With ships, planes and thousands of men

BRUSSELS, Sept. 31 (R) — The NATO alliance and the Soviet Union stage major maneuvers this week, with scores of ships and planes and thousands of men in action around Europe's borders. Autumn is a traditional time for war games on both sides, but Western officials believe the Soviet exercises are also intended as a form of psychological pressure against Poland.

Eight nations are involved in the NATO air and sea exercises, which start Wednesday. The nine-day Soviet exercises, beginning Friday, will include at least 25,000 men. Simultaneously, more than 50 Soviet combat ships and about 30 amphibious vessels gathered from the Soviet Union's four major fleets will take part in landing probes on Baltic coasts.

On both sides, units equipped with special listening and surveillance gear will be monitoring "enemy" movements. "They'll be watching us and we'll be watching them," an official at the Brussels headquarters of the 15-nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization said.

The NATO exercises, dubbed "Magic Sword North" and "Magic Sword South" will involve 60 ships and submarines and almost 200 aircraft off Europe's western coasts. Britain, Canada, Denmark, West Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and the United States are taking part under the command of NATO's U.S. commander, Gen. Bernard Rogers.

Next week the Magic Sword exercises will merge into "Ocean Safari 81," an 11-day exercise to test NATO's combat readiness in a wide arc from the English Channel,

through the Bay of Biscay, to the Atlantic approaches to the Mediterranean. France, although it does not belong to the alliance's integrated military command, is also assigning units. The Ocean Safari exercise will include 19,000 men, 83 ships and 280 aircraft.

Altogether, NATO is staging 28 separate exercises between September and mid-November, covering thousands of miles from northern Norway to the west's southern flank. The highlight will be "reforger," a strategic reinforcement test involving the

airlifting of 17,000 troops and about 27,000 tons of equipment from the United States to West Germany.

The Soviet maneuvers, close to Poland's borders, are expected to be the biggest for several years. Western officials said the game appeared at least partly intended as a "show of force" linked to the tense situation in Poland, although it was clear they were planned long in advance.

NATO diplomats in Moscow also agreed this was one important reason for the assembly of the biggest Soviet naval flotilla

in the Baltic sea since World War II. The Soviet ships began converging on the sea area early in August and have conducted some low-key landing exercises on the Lithuanian coast, close to Poland's only sea border.

In Washington, defense officials said at least four Soviet military districts were contributing forces for land maneuvers stretching from Byelorussia to the northern Baltic coast. The Baltic would be a critical area if a Soviet invasion of Poland triggered a breakout by refugees and army deserters.

U.S. officials said the exercises would increase Soviet readiness for a move into Poland in all fields short of the mobilization that would be needed for full-scale intervention. But, ironically, the maneuvers would pull Soviet units back from the Polish border, where they have been dug in during months of industrial and political turmoil in Poland.

"It looks as if the Soviets are going to remind the Poles that they have the military might to move in any time they want to," a Moscow-based Western diplomat said. The Soviet exercises will be directed by Defense Minister Dmitry Ustinov, the first time he has taken personal charge of war games since he became defense chief five years ago.

Western experts in Moscow said this suggested the games would be on a large scale. Because the Soviet Union complied with East-West requirements for advance notification of many exercises, as agreed in 1975, they are known to involve at least 25,000 men.

## Researcher sees nuclear doom

YORK, England, Sept. 1 (AP) — All cities in the northern hemisphere with a population of 50,000 or more would be wiped out in an all-out nuclear war, director Frank Barnaby of the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute claimed at a conference here Tuesday.

He warned that the world is "drifting inexorably toward nuclear war" and said the Soviet Union is likely to match the great increases in military spending approved by U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

The Soviets could not afford the humiliation of a second Cuban missile crisis, Barnaby told the annual meeting of the British Association for Advancement of Science. "History shows that an increase of this sort is a trend to war," he said. "Unless something happens to prevent this, a nuclear war becomes highly probable."

In the event of the nuclear war, he claimed, the bulk of the rural population

would be killed by radiation, people in the southern hemisphere would die from fallout, and the genetic effects were so unpredictable that no one could say if mankind would survive. "Military science technology is the main reason for the mess we are in," he said.

In Cherbourg, France, launched its second nuclear-powered submarine Tuesday, the 2,400-ton *Saphir*. The ship, which has a cruising speed of 25 knots, is expected to become operational in 1984 following tests and exercises.

On July 7, 1979, France launched its first nuclear-powered submarine, the *Rabus*, which is to become operational next summer. The French submarine program calls for a construction of a total of five nuclear submarines. The 72-meter *Saphir* carries a crew of 66 and is armed with four missile launchers. It is powered by 48-megawatt nuclear engine.

## Union congress Saturday

# Rulers losing support, Walesa claims

WARSAW, Sept. 1 (Agencies) — Solidarity leader Lech Walesa said in an interview published here Tuesday that Polish Communist authorities are losing support and the independent union must take responsibility for the fate of the nation.

Walesa's remarks, carried by the Polish news agency PAP, came up just hours before the mustachioed leader was to appear on nationwide television to explain Solidarity's stand on recent union-government conflicts.

"Things have now reached a stage when the authorities are losing social acceptance and social support," Walesa said in an interview originally published by the Roman Catholic daily *Slowo Powszechne*. "This situation forces us to take upon ourselves responsibility for the fate of the nation."

Permission for Walesa's appearance Tuesday night on nationwide television was granted by the authorities last week in an apparent bid to ease tensions building over union demands for access to the media. The tensions had prompted a strike threat against the radio and television.

Government negotiations Monday asked Solidarity to lift its strike threat in return for more time for television coverage of the union's first-ever historic congress which begins in its birthplace, the Baltic port of Gdansk, Saturday.

The union congress, a gathering of some 900 delegates elected during the past month by Solidarity's estimated 9.1 million members during local conferences, comes against a backdrop of Soviet land and sea maneuvers in the Baltic region planned to begin Friday.

It also comes as Communist Party leaders and their Solidarity counterparts hold strategy sessions to deal with burning issues still dividing the two sides.

The party's new, 200-member central committee, elected by unprecedented secret and democratic ballots at last July's reform-oriented party congress, will meet Wednesday to discuss its approach to the issue of workers' share in management at the factory level.

## Sierra Leone imposes emergency

FREETOWN, Sept. 1 (R) — President Siaka Stevens declared a state of emergency in Sierra Leone Tuesday as the country's trade unions staged a general strike in support of economic reforms. The headquarters of the Sierra Leone Labor Congress (SLLC) was sealed off by security forces and unconfirmed reports said about 15 leading union officials had been arrested.

President Stevens proclaimed the state of emergency in a nationwide broadcast Tuesday morning. It provides for detention without trial for the duration of the emergency. Freetown, the capital, displayed an air of uneasy calm with most businesses closed except for a few government offices. Traffic was light. In an earlier broadcast Tuesday the president declared: "Government is constrained in the interest of public order and safety to take a firm stand on the issue."

The SLLC demands include cuts in the price of basic foods, measures to ease unemployment and improved housing and roads. It also insists that Stevens withdraw an assertion that the congress had no authority to bargain for workers. It says trade unions have given it the power to act for them in the dispute.

Three meetings with the government over the weekend ended in deadlock and SLLC Secretary-General James Kabia told reporters Monday the strike would go ahead.



Solidarity leader Lech Walesa

Solidarity's 40-odd member national coordinating commission will also meet in Gdansk Wednesday to thrash out final preparations for the union congress and possibly fashion a policy toward its demands for greater access to the media.

But despite the historic implications of the union congress, unprecedented in the union itself in a Communist system which usually only sees congresses of the party itself, Walesa in the Tuesday interview said he had often feared for the union's future during its first year of existence.

"In my opinion, the greatest success of Solidarity is that it survived this year," he said, referring to the time span since the historic signing of the Gdansk accords on Aug. 31, 1980, which launched the giant labor federation.

"I have my great fears whether the union would survive," he added. Noting that most

of Solidarity's members are young people, a statement born out by a union report provided Tuesday saying that some 39 percent of its members are under 29 and another 20 percent are under 39, Walesa added, "it's simply much more courage and much less reason that made this uprising possible."

In the *Slowo Powszechne* interview, which originally appeared here Monday, Walesa also praised the Roman Catholic church's role during Solidarity's first year.

Walesa's published comments came amid scattered, but minor pockets of labor unrest around Poland, the only major one being a two-week-old dispute between Solidarity printers and authorities in Olstyn, northeast Poland that has silenced the local Communist Party newspaper. Printers are protesting a report on their participation in a two-day nationwide printers strike two weeks ago and want it to be retracted.

Meanwhile, Stanislaw Kania, first secretary of the Polish Communist Party, and Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, premier and defense minister, met in Warsaw Tuesday with the Soviet Army and Navy's "central political council" chief, Gen. Alexei Yepishchev, PAP reported.

The talks took place in a "cordial and friendly atmosphere." The leaders spoke about "reinforcing the brotherhood-in-arms between the Polish and Soviet armies."

The two parties underscored Poland's role as a "durable link in the Warsaw Pact whose defensive strength constitutes an infallible guarantee, not only for the national defense and the inviolability of the Socialist countries' borders, but also for a lasting peace in Europe." PAP did not specify the date of the Soviet general's visit or his itinerary.

## Soviet harvest short of target

MOSCOW, Sept. 1 (R) — The Communist Party has issued a memorandum to its members, warning that this year's grain harvest would not be good. Soviet sources said Tuesday. The sources said the note explained that this year's hot, dry weather had damaged the crop and members should be prepared to "tighten the belts." It did not give any details.

But it was difficult to judge the significance of the memorandum as such warnings were frequently circulated in the party when it seemed likely the harvest would fall below expectations, the sources added.

Soviet and Western reports have indicated that the 1981 crop would be short of the 238 million ton target, but Soviet and Western agricultural sources have disagreed over whether it would exceed last year's disappointing yield of 189 million tons.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), estimated a yield of 185 million tons and U.S. agricultural officials do not rule out the possibility it could be even

## Bonington to lead expedition to Everest

HONG KONG, Sept. 1 (AFP) Veteran British mountaineer Chris Bonington is to lead an expedition to the unclimbed east-northeast ridge of Mt. Everest from the Chinese side of the peak.

The attempt will be made next spring by a small British team which will include Peter Boardman and Joe Tasker, who were in the Bonington expedition.

# U.S. talks on air staff ruled out

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 1 (R) — President Ronald Reagan will not alter his firm stand against negotiating with striking air traffic controllers despite pleas from several quarters, the White House said Tuesday.

"There are no plans for negotiations," deputy press secretary Larry Speakes told reporters at a Los Angeles hotel where the president was staying before returning to Washington later this week at the end of a month-long holiday. "There are no changes in the administration policy."

Reagan ordered the dismissal of more than 12,000 air traffic controllers after they walked off the job in violation of federal law on Aug. 3. The president has enjoyed wide public support for his tough stance but recently there have been some calls for a softer line.

Lane Kirkland, president of the American Federation of Labor-Congress on Industrial Organizations Labor Confederation, predicted last week that Reagan would reverse his stand and resume negotiations.

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week in which a large part of the 200,000 West German-based American troops will be involved.

The attacks also come at a time that a "Pacifist" movement has been building since June when a rally of 100,000 people protested in Hamburg against U.S. missiles being based here.

The "Pacifists" plan another mass march on Bonn on Oct. 10. The attacks could have one immediate repercussion on the political scene: unification of West German parties squarely behind Chancellor Helmut Schmidt against all forms of terrorism.

In Stuttgart, police announced they have arrested two West German army non-commissioned officers and a West German national suspected of stealing arms and ammunition from army barracks. They found in a hide-out on the Swiss border, 14 pistols and revolvers, 11 rifles, a machine gun, two grenades, 4,000 rounds of ammunition and 6.5 kilos (14 pounds) of explosives.

In Lima, attackers believed to be left-wing extremists bombed the U.S. Embassy, the ambassador's house, and U.S. commercial property early Monday causing widespread damage but no casualties, police said.

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